The Secretary of the Admiralty

regrets to announce that H. M.

submarine Thistle, which had

been operating in the North Sea,

is now considerably overdue and

must, therefore, be presumed lost,

states a British Wireless report

Reuter reports the Thistle is

H. M. S. Thistle is a sister-

LOSSES TO DATE "

the Admiralty, are four destroyers.

as already announced, and one

It is authoritatively pointed out

that the British authorities main-

tain their previously relterated

policy of announcing losses as

soon as the next of kin have been

informed and that losses in Nor-

wegian engagements have, in fact,

been announced as they occurred.

GERMAN CLAIM

claims that a British battleship

was hit by a bomb of "heavy cali-

bre" from a German plane during

an attack by German aircraft on

CANADIANS ON

PALACE GUARD

The King and Queen stood on the

balcony of Buckingham Palace

this morning and watched the

minent Canadians were present at

OLD BELGIANS

RECALLED TO

COLOURS

BRUSSELS, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-

The oldest men in the Belgian

Army who have been demobilised

recently were recalled to the

the" ceremony.

Canadians take over

Commissioner, and other pro- Sir Roger,

now manning interior defences. | been mined."

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-

the British Naval forces off

seen, the Agency adds.

ced_later, it stated.

The Berlin Official News Agency

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German Troops Reached Have Swedish Station Frontier FIFTH BRITISH

BERNE, APR. 17 (REUTER)—THE SWISS HIGH COM-SUBMARINE MAND IS TAKING FURTHER PRECAUTIONARY MIL-ITAY MEASURES IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT SITUA-REPORTED LOST TION. OUT OF 57

A Reuter message from Stockholm says that German position of these ships is uncertroops, advancing from Trondheim, are reported to have reached the Swedish frontier station of Storlien.

The Tidningen says the British landing at Narvik compelled the Germans to retreat towards the frontier and, en route, 250 Norwegians came into contact with 1,000 Germans.

After a sharp fight the Germans are reported to have occupied Björnfells and 200 Norwegian survivors retreated into Sweden.

the fifth submarine to be lost out of a total of 57 in the British Navy. that the Germans control the west of Kongsviger. She is also the fifth British railway from Narvik to the naval craft lost since the German frontier and still hold one the British forces landed at Harstad, north of Narvik. British losses in the Norwegian

There is no official confirmation overstions to date, as admitted by of these reports. A Norwegian Army communique states that in the south-east, Norwegian troops have retired east-

OCCUPATION

A British Wireless message from

Recent actions between ships

and aeroplanes, he added,

proved conclusively that the

big units of the Fleet have

nothing to fear even against

"I can assure you in the most

emphatic way that H. M. S. Rodney

ship is in perfect navigating con-

CLYDE AREA

MINED

around the area of the Clyde.

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The

The notice states, "an area be-

London states that in an inter-

on British was not merely very im-

Germany from that port

the largest bombers.

The Dangens Nyheter says; ward. Fighting continues to the flags. NAZI PLANES DOWNED

Detachments of Norweglan skiers section of Narvik while Bri- carried out successful countertish warships lie in the har- attacks against the German flank. bour. It further states that I'wo German planes were brought down. Fresh parachute troops were annihilated or captured.

The British troops, who disembarked in north Norway, have der-in-Chief of the Norwegian Army, Gen. Otto Ruge, who issued the following proclamation: "We were taken by surprise.

This explains the confusion of the first few days, but we are beginning to restore order in the front and in the rear.

the country. Our task is to resist until help becomes effective. "We shall succeed if we per-We are united."

GERMAN ADMISSION BERLIN, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The view with an Italian journalist, Germans now admit that Allied Admiral Sir Roger Keyes said that forces have landed on an island this the occupation of Narvik by the near Narvik.

A communique today states that BELGIAN board the ship and flames were portant from the military viewthe Germans occupied the railway een, the Agency adds.

Further results will be annount the complete cessation of the frontier. Also, the force, which SECURITY transport, of vital ore supplies to left eastward from Trondheim succeeded in reaching the Swedish frontier.

Mention of the death of the Commodore who was in charge of the German naval operations at Narvik is followed by the passage, "From the crews of damaged destroyers, which were out of action and had exhausted their ammunition, some two-thirds were used to Palace guard: A large crowd out- has not suffered at all through reinforce military objectives."

> AREA EXTENDED surrendered to the Germans in the it is not certain, tomorrow. Christiansund district and that the area occupied by the Germans around Oslo is being extended.

A German unit took Kongsvinger. yesterday afternoon and is continuing its march northward. Several Norwegian torpedo boats have been taken over by the Ger-Admiralty announces mining man Navy. It is stated that a large transport ship was attacked

and received direct hits from

heavy calibre bombs. . : lines joining Dunnighn British Wireless says it is ap-Point to Craiganie Point, and parent from their official and semiofficial statements that the Germans are by no means fully informed of the whereabouts of the landings and subsequent movements of the Allied troops. In these circumstances the reticence of the British authorities in with-

holding information is fully ap-

preciated in London. The vell was slightly lifted by the French Prime Minister's announcement yesterday that Allied troops had made contact with Norwegian troops and that further contingents were on the way, but there is no expectation that early disclosures of a more specific

character will be made. Continued on Page 7

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The city's shipping circles are awaiting a charification of the status of Scandinavian ships as

It is feared that repercussions of the Scandinavian conflict may be felt in local shipping vital to the city's welfare. Disruption of shipping schedule plans throughout the Far East is seen possible and decisions of the authorities on the status of Scandinavian vessels are declared of great importance to trade interests in the Far East.

Nine Norwegian and two Danish merchantmen are here with four more Norwegian, and one Danish, ships expected in a few days. The

Officials said that the situation will be cleared in a few days. The Norwegian Consul-General and the British Naval authorities here are co-operat-

Officials at the Consulate-Genral said it is believed that Norwegian ships will keep their own flags and would, not fly British

has ordered all steamers on the Norwegian registry, whose schedules carry them west of Hongkong, to suspendytheir services immediately, states a report to the Sinwanpao.

This conforms with the previous order circularised by the Norwegian Consulate to foreign Govcriments, advising that all Norwegian steamers calling at European ports had been ordered to

Norwegian steamers sailing between Hongkong and Shanghai, however, will continue as usual,

TO HELP ALLIES British Wireless states that ac-

Ottawa at least a score of Danish and Norwegian ships have entered eastern Canadian ports during the past week and all their crews have volunteered to help the Alies. The ships have left their scheduled routes in order to accept service with the Allies.

number of men guarding strategic points of communication have been called up in connexion with security measures taken by the Government.

NO STATEMENT ON WAR

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*change. PAGE 10-Finance and com-

Price | Per Month: \$3.00. GIGANTIC DIPLOMATIC

Interest By Japan In D.E.I.

"LONDON, APR. 17 (REUTER) - THE SUDDEN IN-TEREST DISPLAYED BY JAPAN IN THE DUTCH EAST INDIES, if Holland is drawn into the war, is widely noticed by the papers.

The News-Chronicle says the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita's statement, taken in conjunction with the spate of anti-British feeling and the working up by the Italian press and German allegations that the Allies are planning to violate Dutch neutrality, begins to fit into the picture of a gigantic diplomatic squeeze, designed to intimidate the Allies to divert their war efforts from Scandinavia and to take precautions in the Mediterranean and the Pacific.

Checking Nazi Espionage In Belgrade

BELGRADE, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Residential permits for all foreigners living in Belgrade will be strictly revised according to a police communique.

.The measure is interpreted as a step towards checking recent German propaganda and espionage. Lerritory most risky

Only residents proving "absolute necessity of residence" will be allowed to remain. These persons will be forbidden to leave the city and must "surrender their pass-

RELATIONS

NEGOTIATIONS REPORT

TOKYO, Ap., 17 (Reuter)-In order to clear the way for any Hitler victory. possible action in Scandingvia and the Balkans, or the Near East the United States would not enter of progress. "We must sweep areas, Soviet Russia is reported to the war. have begun negotiations in an attempt to adjust her relations with Japan so as to safeguard her rear. According to the usually wellinformed financial daily. Chugai Shogyo Miyokan, the Soviet Commissar of Foreign Trade requested an interview with the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow on April 15, when he is stated to have "made certain important representations concerning the general readjustment of Soviet-Japanese re-

SIGNIFICANT PROPOSAL

paper declares, is recognised as French Premier, M. Reynaud, a specially significant because, it is telegram stating "the people of the Japanese Government's non- Great Britain the thrill, admirainvolvement policy in connexion tion and gratitude for the Royal with the expanding character of Navy which added a glorious page the European war.

is desirous of determining its Far healed." Eastern policy and the security of its rear "at the arrival of European conditions rendering it possible for the Soviet Union to open positive action in Scandinavia, the Balkans or the Near East areas."

near future.

Britain is not to be deterred from the main job of defeating Germany by diversions, however induced. The Japanese and Italian moves are not causing any loss of sleep in London.

The Amsterdam correspondent of the Dally Telegraph says that Dutch political circles recall that the integrity of the East Indies were guaranteed by the Allies, the United States and Japan at the conference in Washington in 1932.

Anyway, Japan's concern premature. The Dutch East Indies have an army and navy which would make any attack on their

PITTMAN'S OPINION

RENO NEVEDA Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Senator Key Pittman, in a speech here, said that it was his opinion that the Germans would be driven out from Norway within by ruthless use of that power,

States would be immediately to German authority. threatened if the war ended in a

Anglo - French Determination Continue

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville The Soviet proposal, the news- Chamberlain has received from the aimed to sound out the limit of France share with the people of NEW to its annals and inflicted on the The Soviet Government it adds, enemy a wound which will not be

> Mr. Chamberlain replied that the Navy's success was fresh proof of the determinstion of the peoples of the two countries to fight resolutely until victory is won.

SHANGHAL, APR. 17 (REUTER) -A NUMBER OF NORWEGIANS

AS MANY FINNISH AND SWEDISH NATIONALS have been ac-

AN OFFICIAL OF THE CONSULATE said that the Norwegian

HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR SERVICE in the armed forces at the

Norwegian Consulate and many more are expected to register in the

-cepted in Norway's armies since the hostilities, this precedent of

would bend every effort to aid the civil-and military forces of the

allowing foreigners to volunteer will likely be followed here.

nation against Nazi aggression.

CLOSE CHINA SOVIET TIES

AMBASSADOR INTERVIEWED CHUNGKING, Apr. 17 (Central)

-The new Chinese Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Mr. Shao, Litse, told a representative of Centrai News today that he will probably leave for Moscow towards the middle of next May.

Mr. Shao referred to the close ties and the amicable diplomatic relations between China and the U.S.S.R. and said he was fully conscious of the heavy responsibility devolving on him as China's new envoy to Moscow. He said he would do his best to carry out the Government's policy and in accordance with the nation's wishes.

Mr. Shao recalled his visit to Soviet Russia fourteen years ago when he was deeply impressed by the huge task of national reconstruction confronting the Soviet leaders and the indomitable spirit in which they carried out their

work. Personally he certainly felt most delighted to be now able community solidly supported the legal Government of Norway and to visit Russia again, and to see what progress the Soviet Union had made since his last trip.

H.M.S. GURKHA

They will reinforce the troops Rhuad Point to Bennane Head, has

side the Palace watched the cere- the bomb which hit her. The

Major-Gen. McNaughton, Com- dition and this shows that her

mander-in-Chief of the Canadian protection enables her to defy any

Forces, Mr. Vincent Massey, High menace from the air," concluded

LONDON, Apr. 17 (BWS)—Describing the bombing and sinking of the destroyer H.M.S. Gurkha, a survivor says that the ship was bombed five times from the air. "Bombs were whizzing around from about two dozen enemy

machines. The bomb which did the real damage was a direct hit which almost shook the ship out of the water. "While we were scrambling to safety we were machine-gunned

and bullets were rained on to the decks." The survivor paid high tribute to the Gurkha's medical officer who actually continued to carry out operations on the wounded while the ship was sinking.

officials have maintained silence.

The Norwegian Consul-General

suspend their services.

the paper says.

"British troops are already in cording to press reports from

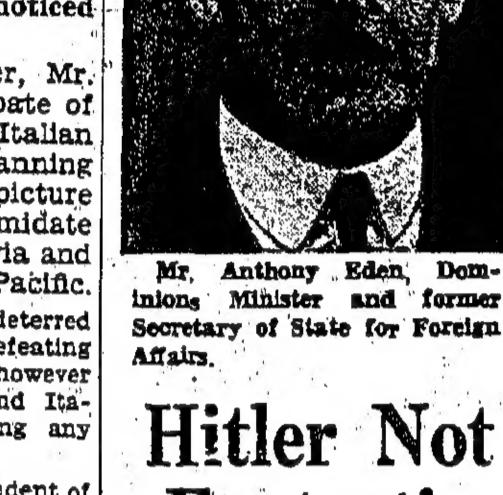
BRUSSELS, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-A

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-No LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-A war statement is expected in Berlin communique adds that two either Houses of Lords or Comfurther Norwegian batteries have mons today. One is possible, but

puzzle. PAGE 5-Manslaughter trial;

PAGE 8-H.K. and Shanghai Hotels annual meeting: A.R.P.

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Secretary of State for Foreign Hitler Not

Fantastic Nightmare In Being

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)—"It is a mistake to imagine that Hitler is some fantastic nightmare in being," said Mr. Anthony Eden. Dominions Minister, in a speech in London today.

"He is not something distinct from the German nation. He is a direct expression of a great part of it."

The aim of Germany's aggressive wars, said Mr. Eden, was to make her infinitely the most powerful nation in the world and. compel Europe to submit to Ger-He also declared that the United man rule and the world to yield

The Allies, said Mr. Eden, are not fighting to preserve a status He expressed the conviction that quo but to preserve the possibility away cobwebs of placid ignorance which regards British imperialism. as a disreputable relic of a shady.

> "It is no such thing: it is a bridge to the next age. We must recognise it as such. In that recognition the future is indeed ours, not as rulers, but rather as servants of the Em-





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D.B.S. SPORTS

Clifton Large Is Senior Champion Individual

Green Club, with a total of 200 1/3 points, won the Inter-Club champlonship at the annual athletic sports of the Diocesan Boys' School yesterday. Blue were second with 1274 points. Yellow third with 115 1/6 points and Brown fourth with 72.

The Senior Individual Championship was won by Clifton Large, who placed first in the 100 yards, 220 yards, 880 yards. One Mile run and Senior Obstacle race and was third in the 440 Yards, to

yan. Time: 2 mins. 29 secs.

Sing-cheung, 2. E. Read, 3, Billy

JUNIOR EVENTS

100 Yards: 1. G. Guest, 2, F. Lee,

Obstacle Race: 1. P. Yew. 2.

OTHER EVENTS

Inter-Club Relay: 1. Green.

Yellow, 3. Blue. Invitation Inter-

School Relay: 1. La Salle College,

2. Wah Yan College "A." 3. St.

Tourney

NEEDLE MATCH

TODAY

Weiss, L. Blair and A. Kurrik.

L Blair 10 1 0 9

Scorer; W. Broadbridge.

HOME FOOTBALL

SCORES

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter)-The

following were the results of Bcot-

tish Regional football matches and

CUP RE-PLAY

(After extra time).

SCOTTISH (WESTERN)

an English League Cup re-play:

Oldham 0 Southport

Olyde 3 St. Mirren

217 Queen's Park ... 2 Motherwell ...

LEAGUE CRICKET

P. W. D. L. Pts.

Lim. Distance. 15 feet 3 inches.

G. Guest, 3. F. Lee.

Joseph's College.

Restaurant.

score a total of 31 points. ling and the Junior Individual Time: 30 3/5 secs. 440 Yards: 1. 20 yards netted to bring the score Championship by G. Guest. There Tan Kok-ling, 2, B. Lim, 3, E Read, at half-time to 2-1, were no records set and times and Time: 64 secs. 880 Yards: 1. Tan standards returned were not excep- Kok-ling, 2. B. Lim, 3. Wong Wei- Ching-to, N.Z. Lee and Chan

tional The better performances were J. Macaulay's 59 2/5 secs, in the 440 Read, 3, T. Ho. Three-Legged Yards and Ma Wai-fun's 36 feet Race: 1. Chan Sing-cheung and S.

Churn, 2. E. Read and Eric Cheung, 8 inches in the Shot Put. Mrs. Goodban, wife of Mr. G. A. 3. Larry Lim and T. Ho. High Jump: 1, E. Read, 2, Chan Sing-Goodban, Headmaster of the cheung, Leung Yue-yuan, Eric School, gave away the prizes. Cheung (tied) Long Jump: 1. Chan

The results:-SENIOR EVENTS

100 Yards: 1. Clifton Large, 2 H. Wong, 3 C. Kotewall. Time: 11 seconds. 220 Yards: C. Large, 2, J. Macaulay, 3. W. Young. Time: 3. P. Mugford. Time: 13 3/5 secs. 26 2/5 secs. 440 Yards; 1. J. 220 Yards; 1. G. Guest, 2. F. Lee, Macaulay, 2. Yuan-yo Hsu, 3. Clif- 3. Cheing Siu-sing. Time: 33 secs. ton Large. Time: 59 2/5 sec. 880 440 Yards: 1. F. Lee. 2. G. Guest Yards" 1. Clifton Large, 2. J. and Cheung Pui-sung. Time: 74 Macaulay, 3. Yuan-yo Hsu. Time: 3/5 secs. Sack Race: 1. P. Yew, 2. 2 mins 24 secs.

Obstacle Race: 1, C. Large, 2, W. Young, 3. J. Kew. High Jump: 1. Cheung Siu-sing, 3. G. Guest, High E Mazuza, 2. Chan Shu-fun. 3. J. Jump: 1. G. Guest, 2. J. Cheng and Macaulay and Stephen Hall. Cheung Siu-sing (tied) Height: 3 Height: 5 feet 2 inches. Long feet 9 inches. Long Jump: 1. G. Jump: 1. E. Mazuza, 2. J. Lim. 3. Guest, 2. F. Lee, 3. P. Mugford. Chan Shiu-fun. Distance: 18 feet Distance 13 feet 3 inches. 10 inches Shot Put: 1. Ma Waifun, 2. Teng Eng-slong, 3. E. Mazuza. Distance: 18 feet 8 inches Tug-of-War: Brown House.

MIDDLE EVENTS 100 Yards: 1. Tan Kok-ling, 2. E. Cheung, 3. G. Lowcock. Time:

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 20th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 Barnett, is on this evening's Tour- Leung Wing-chiu, at pivot,

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' this evening's programme are be-Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified,

Badges admitting Non-Mem E. Zimmern 11 10 0 1 10 bers to the Members' Enclosure K. M. A. Barnett... 11 9 0 2 and 'Clab Rooms at \$5.00 K. Weiss 11 7 1"3 \$3.00 Sir H. E. Pollock... 11 5 3 3 Gentlemen for Ladies (both including tax) D. E. de Carvalho 10 5 1 the A. Kurrik 11 3 2 are obtainable through SECRETARY upon the per A Y Birlukoff 11 2 2 7 sonal or written application of b V. V. Kolatchoff ... 11 0 1 10 Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on the C.S.C.C. ground.

son, A. Hung, C. W. Lam, J. W. ordered in advance from the No Leonard, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, W. 1 Boy (Telephone 21926). K. Way, J. L. YoungBaye.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 "including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

> By Order, C. B. BROWN. Secretary

Hong Kong, 15th April. 1940.

Eastern Wins Third Game THOUGH LETRAN SCORES FIRST

MANILA, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The Eastern Athletic Association touring team gained their third straight victory last night when they beat Letran by five goals to one. The game was fast and played on a slippery ground,

Letran scored in the opening minute and thereafter followed a ding-doing struggle in which both goalles were outslanding. The Middle Individual Cham- 13 secs. 220 Yards: 1. Tan Kok- Chan Kam-hol equalised and pionship was won by Tang Kok- ling, 2. E. Read, 3. Eric Cheung. Chang Yung-san, after dribbling

Following the change-over Hau goalle being caught off-guard on Obstacle Race: 1. B. Lim, 2. E.

two occasions. Repeated Letran attacks failed against the visitors who were against the much faster team.

SOUTH CHINA "A" RETAIN LEAGUE TITLE

KWONG WAH IN DRAWN MATCH

South China "A" yesterday retained the Senior League football championship when they played a roalless draw against Kwong Wah on the Boundary Road ground.

The match was witnessed by fairly large crowd and was featured by the splendid goalkeeping of Wong Wah-gay, for Kwong Wah, and Tam Kwan-kon, for the Caroline Hill team, the former being particularly brilliant at times.

The champions were without Lee Tin-sang, Lai Shiu-wing and Ip Pak-wah their places being taken by Leung In-chan. Lau Tauman and Chin Chi-fai, respec-

Kwong Wah were also not at full strength the leader of the attack being Chin Chi-fan, Exchanges were fairly even throughout and a goal scored by Lee Wai-tong in the first half was disallowed for offside. Kwong Wah, during this period, should have found the net but faulty

forts. In the second half both The needle match" in the Colony goals underwent alternate pres-Chess Championship Tournament, sure Wong bringing off spectacubetween E. Zimmern and K. M. A. lar saves from Fung and Lau. nament programme, and will pro- Soong Ling-sing and Lau Taubably be played at the Gloucester man were outstanding for South China while Lee Kwok-wai, at left Zimmern, who won his first back. Chin Chi-fan and Chow

passing nullified most of their ef-

round match against Barnett, Man-chi were the pick of the leads the latter player by one point Kwong Wah team. after 11 games. Other matches on The teams were:--" Kwong Wah-Wong Wah-gay; Enclosure. Such must be worn tween B. S. Litvin and A. Y. Biriu- Chung Fai-lam, Lee Kwok-wai: throughout the duration of each koff, Sir Henry Pollock and K. Chung Kim-fai, Yeung Tse-tsong. Tse Kam-hung: Cheuk Shek-kam, The Tournament table to date Lau Fook-chuen. Chin Chi-fan, Chow Man-chi and Wong King-

> South China "A"_Tam Kwankon; Leung In-chan, Mak Shiuhon; Fok Yue-wah, Leung Wing- have taken the winners further chiu. Soong Ling-sing: Tang as things stood. Kwong-sam, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Lau Tau-man and

Chin Chi-fai FIRST DIVISION TABLE S. China "A" 18 13 3 2 54 20 29 Eastern 20 13 2 5 56 29 28 Royal Navy 19 9 2 8 35 45 20 S. China "B" 17 8 3 6 36 34 19 The following will represent the Kowloon ... 18 8 2 8 31 40 18 The Secretary's Office. Is: Club in a 2nd Division League Kwong Wan 19 7 3 9 38 44 17 Boor, Exchange Building (Tel. Match against Civil Service C.C. Middlesex ... 19 6 4 9 47 37 16 on Saturday, April 20, at 2 p.m. Royal Scots 17 5, 5 7 28 30 15 Club 19 6 2 11 31 48 14

30TH R.A. BEATEN Caroline Hill yesterday, by the took it. only goal scored.

the first session of the game. The game was somewhat fast at the Rumjahn cousins first but slowed up towards the end, the second half being parti- Army Bervice Corps trounced Eleccularly devoid of interest.

RASC. WIN In the Third Division the Royal



H. D. Rumjahn, winner in 1937. SEMI - FINAL

TIE TODAY H.D. Rumjahn To

Beat Cousin? Some of the best tennis in the

tournament should be seen on the Stand Court this afternoon when H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, cousins and both ex-champions, meet in the first semi-final

The match will almost certainly go to four sets, very probably five, and I expect H. D. to gain right of entry into the final. On current form as "demonstrated by their respective showings in the competition, he should. Both men have got thus far without conceding a set, but H. D. has lost only seven games in six sets against Sirdar's 13, his defeat of O. Umetani, the Japanese player being an impressive affair.

H.D.'s opponents were Firdos Khan (6-1, 6-1); Marsland Ma (6-1, 6-1), and Umetani (6-1, 6-2); while Sirdar beat B. C. Fay 6-1, 6-4, S. A. Gray 6-0. 6-3, and J. W. Leonard 6-1, 6-4,

Win In

J.J. FERGUSON HAS AN OFF - DAY BY "TAC"

A definite off-day on J. J. Ferguson's part, some courageous hard-hitting by C. H. R. Hyde, and an inordinate amount of mistakes by the combination of E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung were" the minor features of the Colony Open Doubles tle on the Stand Court of the Hengkong Cricket Club ground yesterday which was won by the latter. pair by scores of 6-3, 7-5.

Beyond a number of rallies in which the losers more often than not emerged winners, there was little of interest in the match. Had Fincher and Hung been more but then had Ferguson been in chosen better form he and Hyde would

and driving fiercely on the fore- lows:hand. Hyde could in the latter stages of the game point to more True Blue 4.27.31 4.16.11 P. W. D. L. F. APts. outright winners gained than probably any two of the other Joss 4.28.40 4.17.20 three, but netting of easy shots by his partner nullified things, Jean 4.28.52 4.17.32 .. 3 Fincher and Hung were much of a muchness, erratic but dan- Gull 4.29.05 4.17.45

UNEXPECTED LEAD The first set was over in a quar- (Major C. V. Seagrim). ter of an hour. The winners took La Linda 4.31.22 4.20.02 a 3-1 lead and never let up. In (Cdr. (E) R. B. H. Johnstone). the second stanza Ferguson and Diana 4.20.44 4.20.44 7 Hyde unexpectedly went to a (Capt. H. S. Stansfield). three-nil lead but were pulled The Royal Engineers defeated back to three-all. There was a the 30th Heavy R.A. in the Second hard tussle for the seventh game. Division Football"League play-off Ferguson served his best here and for the runner-up position at eventually he and his partner

They got the lead again at 5-4 The gunners, although playing but after the opposition had leten men in the first half accredit- velled the score Ferguson dropped ed themselves very well and the his service and that was the end sappers were lucky to win through Fincher and Hung will now a goal scored by Birrell midway in meet Pearce and Fay in the quarter-finals, winners to play

> tric by six goals to nil. This game was also played at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon.

Shut Out For Chicago

FELLER PITCHES GOOD BALL

NEW YORK, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The American baseball; season started yesterday when a full programms was featured by the excellent performance of Feller of Cleveland Indians, who pitched the first no hit no run game.

Several home runs were scored in both Leagues.

President Roosevelt pitched the first ball in the game between Boston Red Sox and Washington Senators which was won by the only run scored. Results were:-

... NATIONAL LEAGUE

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St. Louis	5	10	0
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Detroit	~ 1	7	
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Washington,		er .	'
Grove pitched.			

REST XI AGAINST **CHAMPIONS**

SOCCER SEASON CONCLUDING ..

Local football will come to an official close on Sunday with the pitched superb ball, coming from the right garden, but Bri-Champions versus the Rest match through the pinches in fine style, tain's defence." on the whole, was on the Club ground. The game and although she conceded two not up to their usual standard. is to start at 4.45 p.m., and at free passes, finished with a bag the conclusion prizes will be pre- of five strikeouts. Irene Pereira . Softball fans, who have enjoyed sented by Mrs. M. K. Lo wife of sacrificed to bring in Therese their sparkling displays on the President of the H.K.F.A.

Jospeh's), Wong King-cheung several occasions (Kwong Wah).

F. A. COMMITTEE MEETING. A meeting of the management committee of the Hongkong Football Association will be held this afternoon when the team to recareful they would almost certain- present the Colony in the Interly have wor, by an easier margin, port against Saigon will be

TRUE BLUE WINS The Sweepstake race sailed yes-Serving hard and accurately, terday afternoon resulted as fol-

> Finished Corr. Pos. (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson). (Capt. O. E. Neve). (Mr. G. J. Tarr).

(Capt. A. O. G. Mills). Isobel 4.30.55 4.19.35

FIXTURES TODAY

HOCKEY .- Y. M. C. A. V. H.M. Submarines ("Y" ground) 5.15 TENNIS - Colony Championships Open Singles, Semi-final

-8. A. Rumjahn v. H. D. Rumjahn (Stand Court): Club Cham pionship; Final -M. Pagh or D. M. MacDougall v. B. C. Fay (8); Handicap Mixed Doubles.—R. C. Beavan and Miss J. Smalley. -3.6 or H. D. Bidwell and Miss E. Lammert, -2.6 v. Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Micholson, 3.6 (3).

AT K.F.C. DECIDED

Ladies' Section: Wins Men's Flag For India BY R.O.Y.

Although the Britain-India clash turned out to be disappointingly one-sided, the large gathering of softball fans who turned out at the Kowloon Football Club, last Sunday, received full value for their four bits when China and Portugal staged a grim bettle in the final of the Ladies' International

For six thrill-packed innings, the Portugal defenders held the Chinese sluggers scoreless while they took a two run lead that looked like giving them the Molthen Trophy, but the looked for surprise did not materialise as the Chinese, with Nip Lum calling the plays, railled splendidly, in the first half of the seventh, to tally four markers to reverse the lead.

in that frame, Gloria Mar led | TWO BIG RALLIES off with a perfect bunt and stole second, to score a moment later second and third frames. India. when Mary Louis singled. The had the Falconer Shield clinched latter crossed the pan when sister early in their game against Bri-Mabel slashed a long triple to tain, the final score being 10-1 leftfield. Thelma Collaco then in their favour. bobbled Dot Louie's lazy grounder. The winners committed only then tallied when Celeste Marques opposition with only three measty quick succession to end the frame, but over the latter stages of the

PINCH HITTER FAILS Cynthia Motta had flied to Lily ed Mar, but Hilds could not lay the wood on Mary Louie's fast ball Britain's noted sluggers of whom and went down swinging. With Crary, Pinky Higgins and Stan two away, Ding Lopes stole second, after getting to the initial station bingle aplece, it was not surprison Mary Louie's miscue, but was ing that they went down by such called out for taking off for third a convincing margin. with the pitcher and catcher in pitching position.

Mabel Louis led the hitters with three safeties, including a triple, Mar. with two singles in three Thelma Collaco who fanned two and walked one.

SUPERB PITCHING

With two big railies in the

to let in the third tally. Dot one miscue behind the harling of Louis pilifered the next sack and Kassa Nazarin who let down the fielded Jean Lee's dalsy-cutter singles The Indian hitters garbut heaved wild over first base, nered 10 safeties off Denham Doris and Lily Mar went down in Crary, in the opening stanzas, game, Crary settled down to earn With last bats, Portugal sent in nine strikeouts, which atoned in pinch hitter Hilda Soares, after part for the four passes he allow-

With the total subjugation of Leonard managed to connect for a

BUX TOPS AVERAGE For India, Sherry Bux garnered two bingles which put him at the top of the averages for the whole Series. while other two-hitters in as many times at bat. Gloria were Kassa Nazarin, A. Bakar and Obear Arculli. In the absence of tries, was the best of the others "Plug" Gillespie, Pinky Higgins who showed little confidence did the hind-snatching for Briagainst the steady hurling of tain, but had a hard time handling the erratic stuff peddled by Crary during the first half of the game. Patsy Jorge took the spot-The winning hurler, Mary Louis, light with some fine throwing in

LATE MRS. MAR the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice- Noronha, while Portugal's other local diamond, and league players tally was scored by Celeste Mar- alike will join me in tendering The following players will re- ques. Margaret Oliviera did an sincere sympathy to the Chung present the Rest team:-Robin- excellent job at centre-field but Hwa Wildcats' Mar sisters who son (Navy); Blackburn (Police), I believe, that she would have mourn the recent death of their Lee Kwok-wai (Kwong Wah); been much more valuable had she mother, Mrs. Ben Mar whose kind-Maxwell (Kowloon), Bright (Mid-been played at her regular Windy ly personality endeared her to all dlesex), Lau Tse-chan (Eastern); Alley position, from whence she of the Chung Hwa boys who had Hossack (R. Scots). Pryde (Club), could have covered the Keystone the pleasure of meeting her since F. Fowler (Club), Pereira (St. sack which was left unguarded on the family's arrival from Texas, some three or four years ago.

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TO-MORROW Picture

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GOING PLACES

Marking one of the brightest spots in the year's cinematic entertainment, "Going Places," which comes to the Majestic. Theatre for the week-end, is a highly hilarious farce with music, with Dick Powell and Anita Louise heading the

"Going Places" is a farce, and all of its complications arise from the fact that Powell, who is a rather timid salesman in a sporting goods store, has decided for business reasons to pass himself as a famous Australian steeplechase rider. Although his only riding experience has been aback an electric hobby horse, he Kay, taking along their two-yearis forced to make good on his old baby, goes out on the road as boasts.

Thirteen passengers, including a woman and six R.A.F. men, escaped practically unhurt when part of a north-bound mail train second son, gave birth to a baby plunged down an embankment at daughter. The baby, their first, has Redburn, near Tain, Ross-shire, - been named Marina.

COMET OVER BROADWAY

"Comet" Over Broadway," the Warner Bros. drama adapted from a Faith Baldwin story, opens at the King's Theatre today. The picture centres about a great actress, who, at the height of her career, deserts Broadway and lame for her husband and child

Kay Francis, who plays this role in "Comet Over Broadway," expounded her philosophy on the subject of such sacrifices one day during the filming of the picture.

In the picture, Kay's husband. John Litel, goes to prison, and an actress to earn money to liberate him.

Signora Gina Mussolini, wife or Bruno Mussolini, the Duce's

COMING EVENTS

APRIL "18—Tides: High 6.39 a.m. and 6.06 p.m. 'Low 12.13 a.m. and 12.01 p.m. Sunrise: 6.02 a.m.; Sunset: 6.45 p.m. Vagabond Rotarians, Cafe Chine, 1 p.m.

Legislative Council Meeting, 2,30

Y.M.C.A.: Clames Morning, 10 a.m. Colony Tennis Championship. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
St. Andrew's Working Party, 3 p.m.:
Ladies' Bible Study, 216, Nathan

Road, 10.30 a.m. Chess Championship Continued. St. 'Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m.

"St. Andrew's Vicarage: Winter Food Relief Committee, 6 p.m. Entries close for H.K. Hockey Assn. Six-a-Side Tourney.

St. John's Cathedral Hall: "At Home" to American Community, 6.30 Cathedral Women's Fellowship: Address by Prof. Forster on "The

Situation in Europe," 3.30 p.m. Cheero Club: Darts, Table-Tennis. Billiards. St. Andrew's Club: "Snap" Debate.

H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Mtg., St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.; Speaker:— Dr. Chiang Mon-lin. Vagabond Rotarians, Cafe de Chine,

Seafarers' Dance at Sallors' Home and Missions to Seamen, 9 p.m. R.A.O.B. General Committee Meet-

ing. 8 p.m. H.K.F.A. Committee Meeting. Busy Bees Knitting and Bandage-Making, Central Fire Station, 9.30

R.N. Yard Police Recreation Room, Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. 19-Tides: High 7.15 a.m. and 7.19 .m. Low 12.57 a.m. and 1.06 p.m. Sunrise: 6.01 a.m.; Sunset: 6.45 p.m.

Tung Ah Knitting Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., 692, Shai Street, 3 p.m. St. George's Day, Gala Show, King's Theatre, 9.30 p.m. Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club Cabaret Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.; Bad-

minton and Mixed Swimming from Cathedral Women's "Fellowship Jumble Sale, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m. Indian School Sports, I.R.C. Colony Tennis Championship. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.)

Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 20-Tides: High 7.50 a.m. and 8.20 p.m. Low 1.38 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunrise: 6 a.m.: Sunset: 6.45 p.m. R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance, Peninsula

St. Andrew's Club, Hockey & Badminton Dinner, Church Hall, 7.30 H.K. Jockey Club's Fourth Extra Race Meeting, 2:30 p.m. Chinese-Australian Assn. Supper Dance, H.K. Hotel, 8.30, p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Hockey Grand Finals,

King's Park, 3 p.m. Supreme Court: Criminal Bessions "Barrel of Fun" at China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Chinese Play at Taiping Theatre in aid of B.W.O.F. H.K. University: Exhibition Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

21-Tides: High 8.30 a.m. and 9.18 p.m. Low 2.15 a.m. and 2.50 p.m. Sunrise: 6 a.m.; Sunset: 6.46 p.m. H.K. Golf Club: Semi-finals of Adamson Cup due to be completed. Football League: Champions v Rest. Military Band Concert at Peninsula D'Or Suite.

Hotel, 9 p.m.-11 p.m. H.K." "University: Exhibition of Paintings. 10 a.m.—6 p.m. American Tennis Tournament at C.S.C.C., 2.15 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, o.m.-Speaker: Mr. A. J. Partridge. 22-Tides: High 9.08 a.m. and 10.12 p.m. Low 2.48 a.m. and 3.36 p.m. Sunrise: 5.59 a.m.; Sunset: 6.47 p.m.

Union Waterboat Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11 a.m. St. Patrick's Hall. Garden Road: Lecture by Rev. W. P. MacDonagh "The Middle Ages." 5.30 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m. St. Andrew's Church Hall, " "Movie Shots of England and America." 9.15 p.m. (for Members and friends of St. Andrew's Club)... Entries close for H.K. Tennis Lea-

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: War Work, 10 a.m.; Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. 23-Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet.

Polo Ground, 2.30 p.m. Inter-School Sports. Caroline Hill D.O.B.A. Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m. Ladies Golf: Scotland v. Rest. Fan-

St. John's Cathedral Hall! Diocesan Conference. 5.30 p.m. Opening of New Building of H.K. Red Swastika Society. Eastern Terrace. Causeway Bay, 3 p.m. H.K. University: Exhibition of

Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Contract Bridge Class 10 a.m.; General Meeting of Swimming Section. 6 p.m.; Badminton and Mixed Swimming, 6 p.m.

24-Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet Polo Ground, 9.30 a.m. St. Paul's Girls' College Anniversary Celebrations, 5 p.m.

Macao Electric Lighting Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., Lowe, Bingham and H.K. University: Exhibition of Matthews. 11.30 a.m. Paintings, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Badminton (all day).

25—Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet Polo Ground, 230 p.m. H.K. Eugenics League, Annual Mtg., Gloucester Bldg., 6 p.m. H.K., Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting, 12 H.K. University: Exhibition

Paintings, 10 a.m. 8 p.m Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m. 26-Softball League Presentation Night Dance. Inter-School Sports (Finals), Caro-

Referees' Assn. Dance, Hotel Oecil. R.A.O.C. Monthly Meeting-Speaker: Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell on "Meanings of Place Names in H.K. Diocesan Old Girls Assn. General Meeting and Dinner, 7.30 p.m. Cheero Club: Concert, 9 p.m. H.K. University: Exhibition of

Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Badminton and Mixed Swimming from 6 p.m.

Radio Programmes

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RECITAL BY BARBARA GILMAR FROM THE STUDIO London, Relays

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-

12.30 Reginald Foort at the Organ. "Transatlantic Rhythm" Medley (Henderson and Others). The Wind Has Told Me A Story—Tango. Palace Theatre Medley—Intro: She didn't say 'yes' (Cat and the Fiddle); Night and Day (A Gay Divorce); You're the cream in my coffee (Hold Everything); Anything Goes (from same); Blue Room (The Girl Friend); Tea

Bela Dance Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weaher Report

1.03 Primo Scala's Accordeon Band, The Little Dog Laughed-Selection. Six Dance 'Hits'-Intro: Laughing Irich Eyes: Sweetheart Let's Grow old Together: Riding the Range in the Sky; Is it True what they say Calls about Dixie? At the close of a Long. long. Day: At the Cafe Continental. Boo-Hoo (Heyman and Others)

1.18 Hawaiian Music. " Hilo Hanakahi (Halekalea); My Little Grass Shack in Kealakekua (Noble and Others)-Kanui and Lula with Vocal Effects: Parewell Hawaii (Botterell and Others): Broadway's Gone Hawaii (film Love and Hisses') The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements. L45 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots-When They Played the Polka; A Gipsy Told Me (film Happy Landing') - Horace Heidt and His Alemite Brigadiers, Pasodoble -Trinia: Slow Fox-Trot - Maria-Magdalena — Manolo Bel and His Muchachos. Fox-Trots — Joseph! Josephi Who'll Buy My Bublitchki-Emery Deutsch and His Orchestra. Waltzes-Flowery Path; Night In The Desert-Gino Bordin and His Hawalians. Slow Fox-Trot-Allah's Holl-

day—The Six Swingers. 2.15 Close down.

5.45 Studio-Children's Hour. 6.45 Closing Local Stock Quota-

6.47 The Don Cossack Choir.

Cossack Song (Russian Folk Songarr, Jaroff); The Nightingale (Alableff). The Song of the Terek Cossacks (arr. Jaroff); The Epic of Serge Jaroff's Don Cossack Choir (Schwedoff)-conducted by Serge Jaroff. 7.00 Rimsky-Korsakov - Le Coq.

London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens. 7.30 London Relay-The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.03 Studio - Recital by Barbara Gilmar (Soprano) with A. T. Lay at the Plane.

1. (a) The First Kiss (Sibelius, Op. 37; No. 1); (b) Berceuse (Jarnefelt); (c) Ritorno (Melartin, Op., 24, No. 1) - Barbara Gilmar. 2. Coronach (Edgar Barrett) - A. T. Lay. 3, A Group of Hungarian Songs: (a) Centle Hood and Kindly Smile (Ferenc); (b) Little I care for Comely Blonds; (c) You Alone-Barbara Gilmar.

8.30 Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra. You Were Unfaithful to Me; You Left Me, Don't Come Back; Far Goes the Crane: Down it Pours In The Puszta. Hungarian Csardas of Geor-

ge Nagy. 8.40 London Belay-"Scrapheap to Industry."

A talk on the conversion of waste materials into new products. 9.00 Marek Weber and His Orches-

Menuett No. 1 (Paderewski); Coeur (Gillet). Reminiscences

Grieg (Urbach). 9.15 London Relay-News Summary, 9.30 London Relay - "Vive Is

France." 9.45 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots-You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby (film 'Hard to Get'): This Is Madness-Russ Morgan and His Orchestra. Tangos - Twilight; Jingle Bells - E. Bohr's Argentine Tango Orchestra. Fox-Trots-Smile and Sing Your Cares Away; I'm Singing A Song for the Old Folks-The Organ, The Dance Band and Me. Waltz - The Moon of Manakoora (film 'The Hurricane'); Quickstep -You Couldn't Be Outer (film 'Joy of

27-R.E.O.C.A. Social Evening. St. Andrew's Club Hockey and Badminton Dinner Dance, St. Andrew's Hall, 7.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Club, Mixed Seven-A-Side Hockey Tournament, King's

Park, 2,30 p.m. H.K. University: Exhibition Paintings, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. 28-H.K. Golf Club, Adamson Cup hospital. Final due to be completed.

K.C.C. Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, 2.30 p.m. 29 St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road: Lecture by Rev. W. P. Mac-Donagh "The Faith in Europe."

30-H.K. Telephone Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., 12 noon. H.K. Agency for Netherlands Insurance Co., Ltd., to be discontinued turned unopposed.

Dance Tempo Orchestra. Fox-Trots-I've Got A Pocketful of Dreams (film 'Sing, you Sinners'). Good-Night, Little Skipper—Brian Lawrance and His Orchestra.

I Howard by Sellful tousing Court

10.15 Variety with Sophie Tucker, Reginald Dixon, Frances Day and

Comedienne - He Hadn't Up Till

Yesterday (Meskill and Others); Aren't Woman Wonderful? (Shapiro and Scott)—Sophie Tucker with Ted Shapiro and His Orch, Organ—Dixon Hits No. 27-Intro: Blue skies are round the corner; The Umbrella Man; Day Dreaming; Penny Serenade; The Dicky Bird Hop; The Chestnut Tree—Reginald Dixon. Vocal-Midnight and Music (film Who's your lady friend?") Because you are you (Sonin and Taylor)—Frances Day (Soprano) with Orchestra, Piano -The Donkey Serenade (film Fire-Rush Hour (Williamson)-Patricia Rossborough. Vocal - The Yodelling Working Man (Van Dusen); It's Party Time Again (Van Dusen)—George Van Dusen with Orthing); Anything Goes (from same);
Blue Room (The Girl Friend); Tea
for Two (No. No. Nanette).

12.47 Tangos.

"Lorenzo (Bardi); Retintin (Arolas)
—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Night of Love Divine (Dostal); Do
You Like Dancing? (Posen)—Dolos

Holmes); Let Ma Go Back Tipica You Like Dancing? (Rosen)-Dajos Holmes); Let Me Go Back To The Farm (Sarony & Holmes)-The Two Leslies with Orchestra. 11.00 Close down.

SHORT WAVE

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Transmission I-News Summary 4.00 p.m.
Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m. Trans II & III-News Summary 8.45 p.m. Full Bulletin 7.30 p.m. do. 9.15 p.m. 12.00 mid-

Transmission V-News Sum-Full Bulletin 8.30 s.m.

SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time) Mondays - Background to the News 11.00 p.m. Tuesdays - Background to the News 8.15 a.m. In England Now 11.00 p.m. Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m. Wednesdays - In England Now 6.45 a.m. Cards on the Table 8.15 a.m. Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m. Thursdays-Matters of Moment 6.45 a.m. Background to the

Now 6.45 a.m. London Log 3.30 p.m. London Log 11.15 p.m. Sundays London Log 6.45 a.m.

"BLACK MAGIC"

BACCHANALIAN ORGIES.

An extraordinary case of socalled bacchanalian sorcery and black magic, which might have ended in tragedy if the police had not intervened, has been discovered in Avigrou.

Neighbours complained of orgies carried on by a family of Italians from Calabria, consisting of four daughters and one son, between the ages of 13 and 27.

In order to invoke the return of one of the daughters who has eloped with a young Italian the family had recourse to local tortune-tellers and, inspired by memories of necromancy learnt in Calabria, abandoned themselves nightly to family orgies.

NAKED DANCE

When the police arrived one morning they found the family carrying out a bacchanalian naked dance, under the direction of the eldest daughter, Maria, who was brandishing pointed scissors.

The son carried a lock of hair from the head of the sister wno had eloped. The father lay on an improvised bier in a corner of the room, surrounded by lighted Living')-Henry Jacques & His Strict | candles. He stated that he was encompassed by evil spirits and that he was going to die. On the table lay a loaded revolver

All were suffering from superficial wounds," presumably from Maria's scissors, and all were in a state of ecstasy succeeded by exhaustion. They had not taken any food for several days. The family were quickly removed to

Mr. Basil Nield, a barrister on the Northern Circuit, has become Conservative M.P. for the City of Chester in succession to the late B'r Charles Cayzer. He was re-

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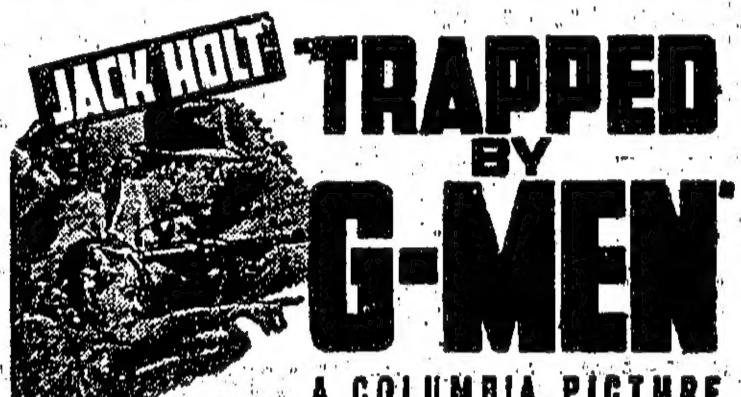
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recent description of Greenland

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phere, thereby implying that

GERMAN APPEAL

TO AMERICA

withhold criticism of a "Germany

defending her vital living space."

tion in keeping imperialists out

CUTTING NORWAY

INTO TWO?

LONDON, April 17 (Reuter)-

The Germans advancing from

Trondheim appear to be trying to

cut Norway in two, according to

the Finnish wireless. They were

reported last night to be a few

The Norwegians, however, are

stated to be still holding the for-

tress at Hegre, east of Trondheim.

SIXTY THOUSAND

GERMANS

STOCKHOLM, April 17 (Reuter)

-The total number of German

troops in Norway is estimated at

sixty thousand, according to a

report from the Frontier quoting

"trustworthy sources."

miles from Storlien, on

Swedish frontier.

in her similar struggles.

the western hemisphere"

of the Monroe Doctrine.

via Russiu.

Germany Being Taught Severest Lesson

Hitler "Stuck His Neck Out" In Norway

LONDON, April 17 (Reuter)—The Rio de Janeiro newspaper, O Jornal says that Germany is being taught the severest lesson of the war, and her imminent defeat will have a great repercussion in Europe and Germany.

The article, which appeared on the front page, asserts that with British domination of the seas there is not further possibility of the Germans breaking the blockade.

"The plain fact about Europe

who does not dread a Nazi vic-

need Hitler's eventual downfall."

NECESSARY CONCLUSIONS

claim the importance of an Allied

air forces have not succeeded in

checking battleships or even in-

"It is a fact, of more profound

strategic, importance than the

sinking of part of the German

Battle Fleet, which, in all ob-

jectivity it must be declared was

incapable of tackling a much

FOR THE WAR

to reinforce the Australian Squa-

dron which arrived in England last

Christmas, and has since been on

active service with the Coastal

CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING April 17 (Central)

-Dr. Paul Monroe, prominent

will take appropriate measures

the Philippines being menaced.

gramme.

He also said that America

also arrived at the same time.

flicting serious injuries.

stronger enemy.

All Brussels papers now pro-

Thus the Standard

The Jornal do Commercio emthat every people in Europe, and phasises the losses already sustained by Germany and asks where is a large part of the German people the Russian alliance. The paper included, is a potential ally of the says, that the remaining neutrals Allies and there are no important must now realise to which side to

O Jornal also refuses to believe tory and none which does not that Signor Mussolini will risk the prestige of Fascism in a conflict wth the Allies or place Italian youth at the service of Nazi communist atheism.

The Belgrade papers today were writes: "It is remarkable that the most favourable towards the Allies since the war, the Narvik battle providing frontpage headlines.

The Nya Daglist Allehanda of Stockholm says that the losses of the Navy were less serious thom the high proportion of the Ger-"man Navy which had already been

destroyed NORWAY'S DETERMINATION

The Social Demokraten says "The German action against Nor- tion of British naval supremacy way and Denmark was primarily intended to obtain bases against Britain but no one entertains the will draw the necessary concluillusion that the occupation is only for the duration of the war sions." and that is why Norway is determined to fight.

"Norway's success is dependent on Affied help which hitherto has been concentrated on striking at the German Fleet. The battles of the last few days have greatly reduced Germany's possibilities to protect her communication lines with warships.

"The British losses are smaller and the British Navy will not feel such "losses."

The Sofia paper, Mir, reviewing Command of the R.A.F. the Scandinavian events, says: "While the first phase impressed the world with the speedy action of the Germans, the second_phase gives a clearer picture and the attempted occupation may have DR. PAUL MONROE negative results owing to impossibility to transport sufficient

troops." INVASION OF NORWAY

The American press, from April 12 to 15, had many editorials and taxe the view that Herr Hitler "stuck out his neck" by the invasion of Norway. There were frequent references to Trainigar and the spirit of Nelson and Drake while all expressly and implicitly continue to condemn the German aggression

The increased "unneutral" comment which arose from the invasion of Norway still"continues and while it is not in great volume, it is linked with impatience at the cry "British propagands is dragging us into the war."

Greenland still receives very considerable attention both in the news columns and comment. The general view seems to be following the President's lead that Americans would do well to keep their eyes open, WHAT ABOUT HOLLAND?

Greenland is associated in 10 several editorials with the need 11 for increased provision for home defence and several columnists 13 raise cognate questions, for example, the Dutch West Indies, 14 Slumbers supposing the Nazis invade Hol- 15 Holy land. Some papers view the 17 Glasses future of Iceland also as a mat- 19 Send ter of concern for the United 20 Regretted States.

A number of editorials pose the question of superiority of warplanes or battleships. If they venture an opinion most incline 24 Tidier to the view that the battleship is 25 Sift showing itself superior.

The Stockholm correspondent of the New York Times, who saw German troops land at Narvik, describes how German soldiers he talked to "hoped, yet doubted that Germany had wrested control of the adjoining seas from Bri-

tain." HITLER'S NIGHTMARE

The Herald Tribune supports mare always has been that once W. S. King and Mr. H. Britain will organise Europe to of office suppress the attempt at domina- re-appointed by tion of Europe.

Faced With **Emergency**

MORE MONEY FOR U.S. NAVY URGED

WASHINGTON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Germany completed two new battleships recently and is building four more, according to a Navy Department statement to the Senate Naval committee, contending that the battleship remains the backbone of the fleet.

Naval authorities further gave the opinion that Germany's preponderance in air power had not seriously affected Britain's control of the world sea lang . Admirul Stark told the Committee that the United States now faced an emeigency situation and declared that Congress should appropriate anexceptions. There is no people other forty-five million dollars for the Navy in addition to the 98h millions already voted by the flouse.

NEW ENVOY TO RUSSIA

CHUNGKING, April 17 (Central) -The Executive Yuan yesterday appointed Mr. Shao Li-tse Chinese Ambassador to the Soviet Union replacing Gen. Yang Chieh, who returned here recently.

The Yuan also appointed Dr. Weilington Koo, Chinese Ambassador to France, as China's special delegate to attend Portugal's forthcoming celebrations of her "Such a remarkable reaffirma- national independence anniversary, and Mt. Yorkson C. T. Shen, is an event which will have its Chinese Minister to Panama, as repercussions in general diplo- China's special delegate to the matic spheres. Italy and Russia new President of Costa Rica.

SOUTH CHAHAR MORE AUSTRALIANS

CHUNGKING April 17 (Central)-Reports from south Chahar LONDON. April 17. (Reuter)- state that the Chinese won a vic-Group Captain F. H. McNamara, tory southeast of Yuhsien on the Australian Air Liaison Officer in south Chahar border last week. London, welcomed members of the The Japanese were dispersed, should sympathise with Germany Royal Australian Air Force when after some 800 of them were killthey arrived in London last night ed in action.

YANGTZE DRIVE CONTINUES

CHUNGKING, April 17 (Cen-Several members of the Royal tral)-The Chinese drive along Australian Naval Volunteer Reserve the Yang ze River below Hankow continues. Their vanguards recaptured Chengkungtai, southwest of Huangmel, on Monday and are advancing on Lungping, east of Wusueh. Japanese troops at Wusneh and Tienchiachen are being rushed to Lungping by and and water to engage the Chi-American educator, arrived here from Hongkong by plane yester- nese.

Interviewed, Dr. Monroe declar- near the Honan border about 87 ed that the United States, though miles northeast of Hankow, has been recapinred by Chinese unwilling to be drawn into war. troops according to a report from the event of Guam. Hawaii and the Hupen front. Remnant Japis mortheast of Hankow, and the pushing her naval expansion pro-Macheng.

CHINESE SUCCESS IN

Macheng, in northeast Hupeh, anese fled to Sungfow, 65 miles areas northwest and southwest of

Nazis Shell Own Post

LONDON, April 17 (Reuter).-Reuter's correspondent with the French Army states that three small columns carried out a high-WASHINGTON, April 17 (Reu- ly successful raid on a German ter)-The British Ambassador, Lord position west of the Vosges, cap-Lothian, at a press conference, turing some prisoners. Inside the following a conversation he had post itself a hand to hand struggle with State Department officials, occurred and on perceiving this stated that neither Britain nor the German artillery shelled its Canada would move into Green- own position, without regard for and or Iceland unless it seemed the lives of the Germans who were

certain that Germany, was about fighting to defend it. to selze them. Greenland, he said, The increasing unhealthiness on might make a good, air base for the Western Front positions conmany but they could never main- trasts strangely with the relative tain it. "We could give them u calm of those in the front of knockout blow there very easily." | Luxembourg and Belgium where a Lord Lothian expressed the be- strange atmosphere of expectancy lief that Greenland clearly comes prevails, with the men, always on within the Monroe Doctrine, being the alert and transport, armoured within the Western Hemisphere, cars and tanks in position ready Lord Lothian predicted that the for instant movement

tended to the Pacific in order to STREAM OF PLANES OVER OESTERDALEN

STOCKHOLM, April 17 (Reuter) -A continuous stream of German When Mr. Cordell Hull was ask- planes is passing over Oesterdalen, ed at a Press Conference whether en route to Trondhjem, states the the United States would extend a Norwegian telegraph Agency who protectorate over Greenland, he report that many of these had said he knew of no plan to do so. apparently taken off from Danish He; however, cited the President's bases.

NEW HEALTH DIRECTOR

Greenland comes within the scope CHUNGKING, April 17 (Central). -Dr. P. Z. King was appointed by the Executive Yuan yesterday as Director of the National Health Administration succeeding Dr. F.C. Yen who has resigned on account BERLIN, April 17 (Reuter)-The of illness Dr. James Shen was Foreign Office mouthpiece, Diplonamed deputy director of the Admatische Korrespondenz, last night ministration. appealed to President Roosevelt to

PUPPETS CAPTURED

It suggested that America, hav-HINGNING, April 17 (Central) ing "succeeded with" one excep--Three puppet officials were captured by Chinese guerillas during an attack at a point north of Swatow on the night of April 10. Many casualties were inflicted during the three hour engage-

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> > SATURDAY, April 20, 9.15 P.M.

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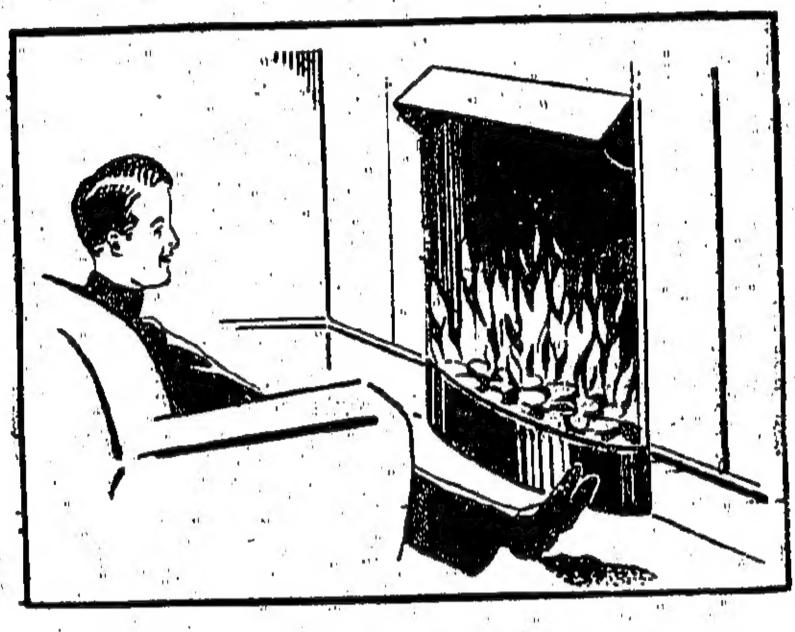
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DIRECTORS CHUNGKING, April 17 (Central) -Dr. Chu Chia-hua chairman of President Roosevelt's speech as the Board of Trustees for the one which "Republicans as well Adminstration of the Bino-British as Democrats will applaud." The Boxer Indemnity Fund, Mr. Tseng paper says: "Herr Hitler's night- Yang fu, Mr. "Yen Te-ching, Mr. again, as in the case of Napoleon. Wilkinson, trustees, whose tenure Asps; 18, Urge; 20, Twig; 22, Yuan yesterday.

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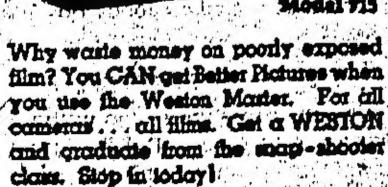
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RESTAURANT MANAGERS GIVE EVIDENCE IN MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL

Officer

Further evidence was recorded at the Central Court yesterday when KENNETH DUNCAN BRUCE, 24, a British naval officer, appeared on remand before Mr. R. Edwards on a charge of the manslaughter of LAM SHING-CHI in Apr. 4 in Hennessy Road.

THE DEFENDANT WAS REPRESENTED BY MR. D. BRITTAIN EVANS WHILE MR. E. H. WILLIAMS, CROWN COUNSEL, APPEAR-ED FOR THE PROSECUTION, ASSISTED BY TRAFFIC-INSP. S. C. SAUNDERS.

About 10.30 p.m. witness and three wearing black clothing with yellow other officers left the Cafe for stripes round the sleeves Repulse Bay Lido, arriving there - The European sat in the second about 15 minutes later. The de- cubicle and spoke to a fokl who fendant turned up and joined the could not understand English. He party. While on the way to the Lido, witness was told that the wine on the counter and the fok! dependant was following behind served him with a sample bottle in a car, but could not say whether of whisky. Bruce was at the"wheel.

dinner. He ordered a second for about 40 minutes when they drink but did not consume it left together. During the time taken soup. In witness pleased, but quiet, opinion. Bruce w. s. at that time.

POINTED AT BOTTLES

Ko Wing-po, manager of the To Yuen Restaurant, West Point, said bottles of wine indicating that he drink. She recognised the cuswanted to buy drinks, Witness produced a notice informing the customer that he was not per-European then shook hands with him and left.

The European, whom he could not recognise, was dressed in and two bottles of soda. uniform of blue colour, and apusual, he said, for a customer to come in for few minutes and shake hands with him to say goodbye.

Cross-examined by Mr. Evans, witness said that the European walked perfectly steady from the lift to the counter and back

again L'u Kam, rickshaw coolie, said that he picked up a Chinese passenger outside the To Yuen Restaurant about 1 a.m. about two weeks ago and proceeded towards the central district along Voeux Road.

STRUCK VEHICLE

car which was a black saloon, in answer to a police officer, continued without stopping.

Mr. R. Bonnos, manager of Mac's Wong Ho, manageress of the Tai Cafeteria, told the Court that he Yuen Restaurant, said about I a.m. saw Bruce in the Cafe about 10 on a Thursday, about a week ago, a p.m. on Apr. 3. The defendant European came to her restaurant had a whisky dry at the bar, and wanted to buy wine. He was

indicated by pointing at bottles of

After he was served, the Eurothe defendant pean went over to join the party a whisky just before of Chinese and remained there left about 11 p.m. after the European seemed to be very

The bill which amounted to \$2.64. was paid by a Chinese customer.

SAILOR'S UNIFORM

Wong Fong, waitress of the same restaurant, said that about that about I a.m. on Apr. 4 ne 1 a.m. on the day in question a was at the counter when a Euro- European, "dressed "in sailor's pean, came in and pointed at uniform, came in and asked for tomer as the defendant.

She took a sample bottle "o: whisky and a Chinese customer mitted to serve Europeans. The told her to serve the defendant with sods. Altogether, she said she had served the defendant three sample bottles of whisky

Cross-examined by Mr. Evans. peared to be very pleased when, witness said she did not actually he read the notice. It was un see the defendant drink the three bottles of whisky. The Chinese customer ordered the second and third drinks. She did not notice any wine having been spilt, but remembered she was told to wipe some water on the defendant's

The hearing was adjourned to this afternoon.

AN ERROR

Attention has been drawn to an error which appeared in our issue of yesterday in connexion with the Kwong, who pleaded guilty before report of the above case.

said he usually wanted to fight failing to register with the Police when anyone attempted to handle A car came from behind and him while he was under the instruck his vehicle on the left, fluence of drink. This is incorrect. damaging the mudguard. The Bruce was stated to have said, Jusually fight if I am manhandled."

tenced to three months' hard

Lam "King, 38, married womai.

Det.-Sergt. Dowman, prosecu-

DRUG STORE

SUMMONED

The management of Messrs A. S

Watson and Co., Ltd., was sum-

moned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon

at the Central Court yesterday on

three counts in connection with

The defendant firm was repre-

Poisons Ordinance.

defendant's sister, was also charg-

labour by Mr. E. Himsworth

been banished for life...

FOUND NOT RETURNING FROM BANISHMENT GUILTY Charged with returning from

Assault Summons Against C.R.O.

Chinese Revenue Officer Wong Fook, who was summoned before Mr. T. J. Houston at" the "Central ed with harbouring a deporter, Court Yesterday for assaulting a She was fined \$10, in default a married woman, Chan Ying, was month's hard labour. found Not Guilty and discharged.

Mr. D. McCallum appeared for ing, stated that the first defenthe complainant, while Mr. J. P. dant had been arrested at the Murphy, Assistant Crown Bolicitor, second defendant's home at No. was for the defence. 89, Takuling Street,

It, was alleged that the defendant entered the complainant's floor with a European officer and, searching the premises. struck the complainant a blow in the eye.

ALLEGATION DENIED

At yesterday's hearing Wong He the breach of the Pharmacy and Fook denied the allegation. told the Court that during search the complainant's husband He sented by Mr. W. A. Mackinlay who attempted to run away. and pleaded not guilty. Hearing was caught hold of Lai Chi's arm com- fixed for the afternoon of May 1. plainant came forward and caught hold of his (défendant's) arm and were: struggled with him. He pushed 1, On Mar. 6; being authorised The stolen goods, except for which was bleeding.

PLAINTIFFS

Cassia Contracts Claim Concludes

The dispute over contracts for on the supply of 870 bales of Apr. 16. cassia and for a declaration that He registered as H. C. Llang, yesterday when the Chief Justice, than Japanese in Hongkong. Sir Athoil MacGregor, gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

structed by Mr. Peter H. Sin, was He was making enquiries from for plaintiffs , while defendants the reception clerk when defenwere represented by the Hon. Mr. dant happened to walk past the Lee D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by reception office and defendant Mr. J. T. Prior.

The plaintiffs contended that the occupation of Canton made the defendant as a Japanese. impossible to deliver the 870 bales contracted for at due date, but by delivering the goods under an agreement dated June 9, 1939. they had performed their bargain in respect of the seven original contracts."

CONTRACT SEPARATE Defendants alleged that the con-

tract of June 9 last was separate and distinct from the other seven contracts and that plaintiffs were sill liable to deliver the goods under the first seven contracts. Defendants had in respect of the seven contracts pald"\$10,036.90 but" refused to pay the balance \$8,000.

After evidence given by Mr. P. H. Klimanek, manager of the defendant firm and Mr. Wong Chueno', partner of the Sang Wo Tai, His Lordship said the only conclusion he could come to, after considering the evidence as a whole, was that the eighth document was not a fresh contract but a variation of the seven previous contracts making provision for in creased price owing to extra transport costs, due to the occupation of Canton, and for extension of the "time, of delivery."

Judgment for plaintiffs on both claim and counter-claim, with costs, was given.

Marine Dealer In Court

"A nominal fine of \$10 was imposed on a marine dealer Chan Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central It was reported that Bruce had Court yesterday to a summons for a lot of waste ground for the storage of scrap iron.

Mr. C. d'Almada, who sppeared for the defendant, said that the mistake was made unintentionally as his client believed that he had already pregistered with the Land Office when purchasing the ground and was under the impression that he had done all that was required

Detective-Sergt. R. McVey, who banishment, Lam Fu. 18, was senprosecuted, said that the defendant had been in the business since Te failed to notify the police and consequently the piece Kowloon Court yesterday: He had of ground was never searched by Police. In view of the recent frequent theft of metals, he said, the Police had no means to trace the stolen goods.

THEFT FROM OFFICER

Charged with larceny of rattan basket containing clothes and a pair of shoes, property of Lt E. G. N. Bremner, R.N. Chinese named Leung Fook-ki, 30, was sentenced to one month with hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yester-

Defendant was arrested on information received by a Chinese. detective in Battery Street on Tuesday afternoon. He admitted having stolen a basket with clothes the corner of Nathania Road and commencing at 2.15 p.m. Jordan, Road at about 2 o'clock The summonses against the firm.

the same day. her away and she fell striking her dealers of poisons did deliver 200 one suit, were traced to the store head against a table. The next ozs of strychnine nitrate without of a marine hawker, Leung Long, he saw was the complainant lying making an entry in the prescribed 32, who had bought them for 60 on the ground holding her eye form in a book kept for that pur- cents. The marine hawker, who was charged with receiving stolen 2. On or about Mar. 6, while not | property, was fined \$10, in default

being licenced by the Registrar as a month with hard labour. wholesale dealers under the Phar- . The complainant's name was macy and Poisons Ordinance did found on one of the coats. The supply, by way of wholesale deal- total value of the property stolen Two cases of small-pox, four of ing, 200 dzs of strychnine nitrate. was given as £12. The one suit dightheria, three of measles, one 3. On or about Mar. 6, unlaw- not sold to the marine hawker disentery and twenty-eight of nitrate other than as an in- pawnbroker who will also be Ordinance: prosecuted the case.

JUDGMENT FOR "MR. LIANG" FINED

APANESE PREFERRED CHINESE NAME

Mutsufi Kawamura 27, clerk, a cassia between the Sang Wo Tal Japanese subject residing at No. firm and the Holland China Trad- 27 Conduit Road, was fined \$250 ing Company, which led to an by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central action in the Supreme Court in Court yesterday for giving false which the former claimed for information to the Hongkong payment of \$8,000 as balance due Hotel while booking a room on

they had discharged their liability and said that he thought it would under seven contracts, was decided be better to register as a Chinese

Detective-Sergt, Hill was checking up the hotel register when he Mr. Eldon Potter K. C., in- came across the name H. C. Liang. was pointed out as "Mr. Liang." Sgt. Hill, however, recognised

Kai Tak yesterday at 3.45 p.m. from Indo-China. She brought the following passengers:-Mr. J. Oudin, Mr. P. Jacomet,

Mr. R. Gros, Mr. R. Goo, Mr. Grove and Mr. Ghandy. CLIPPER ARRIVES TODAY

Pan American Airways California Clipper is due to arrive in Hongkong today and is scheduled to leave on her return flight tomorrow morning.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

The Imperial Airways mail plane from home is also expected at Kai Tak today, while the homeward plane is scheduled to leave on Sunday morning.

DEATH OF MR. TSANG FOOK

The death occurred at the Hongkoniz Sanitorium yesterday of Mr Tsang Fook, at the age of 61. The late Mr. Tsang was born in Hongkong in 1879 and in his early days he travelled widely, both in Europe and America.

The deceased was the proprietor of the well-known music store. Messrs, Tsang Fook Plano Company, manufacturers of the Morrison planos.

The funeral will take place today, the cortage arriving at the Chinese Christian Cemetery, Pok fulam, at 3 p.m.

THREE WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Three weddings took place yesterday at the Registry, Supreme in Nathan Road. Court, the parties being:-

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YOUTH SENT TO GAOL

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Det.-Sergt. Nolan, prosecutive Mr. Nations Chen, sub-manager stated that Silvio's fingerprints ask that the charge of receiving Mr. Soo Kim-sui, clerk, of No. stolen property against defendant 201 Cheungshawan Road, and Miss would be amended to one of sucp-Wong So-lan, of the same address; breaking. Bilvio pleaded guilty

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NEWSETTES

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Dr. Chiang Mon-lin' will be the speaker at the Hongkong Men's Club Tiffin meeting today at St. Francis Hotel.

Lady Noble will open the sale of work to be held at the school for the Deaf on Wednesday, May 8, at 3.30 p.m. There will also be a demonstration by deaf pupils.

The American Tennis Tournaand a pair of shoes from a pri- ment of the C.S.C.C., which was vate car, No. 6258, parked outside cancelled owing to bad weather on the Gas Company Show Room at Mar. 31, will be held on Sunday,

> speaker at the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday next at 9 p.m. cantile Marine and the Band of The Rev. A. McLellan, M.A., B.D., the Royal Scots will be in attenwill preside,

> Mrs. E. G. Sellers, wife of Mr. tertainments for seafarers E. G. Bellers, Managing Director, Muller and Phipps (Malaya). Ltd., Singapore, arrived in Hongkong the Nagasaki Joe beer hall, Wan-

Mr. Lin Hon-ming, former direc- G. Sheldon at the Central Court tor of the National Art School of yesterday. The defendant was reof cerebro-spinal fever, two of fully did supply 200 strychnine was bought, it is alleged, by a China. Hangchow, will be held at presented by Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, the Tang Chi Ngong School of while Det.-Insp. W. N. Darkin was tuberculosis were reported for the gredient in medicine as required charged with receiving stolen Chinese Studies, Hongkong Uni- for the prosecution. 24 hours ended at midnight on by the Pharmacy and Posons property. Det.-Sergt, J. R. Sykes versity, from April 20 to 27 from of No. 125 Boundary Street, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

of the R.A.O.B. Club will take place Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Snow arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Mr. Snow is connected with Gibb,

Livington and Co., Ltd., Shang-

.The General Committee meeting

Mr. T. K. King, Manager, Shipping Dept., China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., Shanghai, arrived in Hongkong yesterday.

arrived in Hongkong yesterday.

a Dance for Seafarers will he neld at the Sallors Home and Mission to Seamen today at 9 Mr. A. J. Partridge will be the p.m. Admission is free to mem-peaker at the Y.M.C.A. Discussion bers of the Royal Navy and Merdance. The dance marks the end of the programme of whiter en-

Ohto Tainosuke, proprietor of chal, charged with the attempted murder of his wife, was committed An exhibition of paintings by to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. H. Miss Leong Kwal-lan.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTEENTH ORDIN-ARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company," Limited, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 1st May, 1940, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1939, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd April to the 1st May, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board. B. ALVES,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th April, 1940.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 3rd MAY, 1940, at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1939, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th APRIL to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

> By Order of the Board, A. W. HUGHES,

General Manager. Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1940.

R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CON-DITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of fixed by the Surveyor of His 75 years.

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that immediately after the dis. Pedder Street, Hong Kong, posal of the lot the Purchaser Thursday, 30th May, 1940, (if not the applicant), will be noon, for the purpose of receiving required to deposit with an the Report of the Directors, passauthorised officer who will be ing the Accounts, and, electing present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase

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Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

Fitting Up The B.E.F.

Some details in regard to the re- proportions. What must have where the cargo was transferred in America and Europe. He remarkable exploits in the equip- influenced the Fuehrer most ashore. ment of the British Expeditionary in his move against Norway Force for Norway are now avail-

It is pointed out that on the German side the invasion of Norway was worked out to the last detail during a period which mus: have lasted several months.

The British Command, however had to make plans and take action at very short notice.

It had to decide for example where landings should be effected and how they were to be carried sandy beaches. ...

FLIMSY DETAILS

All the details had to be concluded on very meagre information and decided upon in outline before the British Expedition could start and before even the size and character of the troops required could be

One point which the British Command had to consider was the type of equipment required "in view of the fact that some ships

The troops themselves were equipped with sheepskin coats, sealskin caps and blankets Another minor point to be con-

sidered was the special type of engine oil required for the cold The impossibility of living on

the country necessitated food supplies being sent with or after the troops. " It is emphasised that conditions do not allow of a large army being

tish Command will have to build up its force gradually. FLOODS TAKE

landed in a few days. The Bri-

BUENOS AIRES, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-At least 34 persons were drowned in the floods which de vastated the low-lying parts, of Buenos Aires following violent

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HONGKONO, APRIL 18, 1940.

WHERE HITLER MISCALCULATED

WHAT WAS IT that made

Herr Hitler embark on his invasion of Norway? Ii he was determined to ensure getting his iron ore from the minefields of Northern Sweden, why did he not launch his aggression against that country instead of attempting a campaign which has brought his skeleton naval strength into conflict with Britain's Navy? World Angel's song (Prayer)-P. Tchaiopinion today remains "more perplexed than ever in trying to find a reasonable answer to these questions. Perhaps, Herr Hitler himself is now wondering what made him commit such crass folly. The of the German Fuehrer is one of his weaknesses. He is surrounded by a party of "Yes Men," who play on this vanity by telling him how powerful he is and he has gradually acquired the mentality that he is always on right. "He has evidently begun to grow more and more contemptuous of his military and naval advisers, as witness the reported relegation to disgrace of Admiral von Raeder, who dared to point out to his fanatic leader the folly of Norwegian invasion.

realised the gravity of his blunder? With the greater part of his navy lying at the bottom of the sea, his merchant shipping crippled and Chung, near Sha-ng-chung his invading troops in Noiway facing determined resistance from the newly- by pirates who robbed him of the landed British troops-a fact entire cargo, consisting of wolwhich has greatly encouraged the Norwegians—and the cer- at \$1,165. tainty of now finding the inhabitants of Norway more than ever opposed to his LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter) - dicament has assumed huge and sailed to Hak Ngam Kok. was his determination bring his aerial and naval closer to the operations shores "of his arch enemy. England. The debacle which has overtaken his fighting units in the north, however, missing. has caused a serious setback to these plans. Holland, then, as the next best move to vent his "Gott Strafe England" determination must be great temptation for the power-crazed German leader. Has he, however, learnt his lesson to keep away from any further contact with the Allied naval might?

HAS THE FUEHRER NOW

WHILE THE ALLIED successes in Norway have greatly impressed the world and heartened every neutral country, it would be unwise for those "who have placed their confidence in the Allied will be operating in the Arctic arms to expect quick and decisive results. The Nazi leader is as likely to remain stubborn in the face of defeat as he is deflant and unscrupulous when he has claimed an unfortunate victim. these circumstances, Sweden's nervousness can be readily understood, despite the determination of her Government and people to resist any attempt to violate their territory. In such an eventuality and if Sweden appeals for Allied assistance, the British and French, with their new allies will be able to protect those all important minefields which Herr Hitler is so desperately anxious to seize and yet another problem will loom before the Fuehrer.

CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC

arranged by the Director, Mr. J. Hall last night. .

The concert was the first given by the choir of the Russian Orthodox Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Hongkong, in several years. Proceeds were in aid of the Church Building Fund and the British War Organisation

The programme was:

PART ONE God with us '(Islah 3,18)-Com posed by Strokine; Prayer to God the Holy Ghost-Rev. Solomin; kovsky: Nune Dimittis-Archangelsky; By the waters of Babylon -Znamenny: Hymn from Great Canon-Greek melody; the Pious Joseph (Hymn)—Bulgarian melody: Hearken to my Prayer. O Lord!—Archangelsky

Glory be to God in the Highest -Composed by Strokine; Hymn-Arranged by J. A. Diakoff; Chant de "Cherubin-Simonoff;" Hymn (The Holy Liturgy)-Archangel-Repentance (Hymn)—Arranged by J. A. Diakoff; The Christmas Hymn—Degtereff;

JUNK STOPPED BY PIRATES

Fowls Stolen

No. 4492W, reported to the police his arrival yesterday that whilst on a voyage from Ha Chinese territory, to Hongkong on April 14, his boat was stopped

halted by seven armed men, who needed even more than before. approached his junk in a small

ashore, were freed, and they made their way to Hongkong yes-

found at Aberdeen. Of a sum of \$720 hidden in various places in the hold, \$130 was found to be

MEETING BANNED

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 17 (Reuter) -The military authorities have banned the Nazi meeting to be held at Zutphen today. Herr Mussert, chief of the Dutch Nazis. was to have spoken on "End the Democracies."

allow her interests to threatened or will Il Duce ing. The floods are now receding least, if his advisers are final- most people imagine.

Laws Of War Are Needed Even More Than Before

MUCH APPRECIATED PROGRAMME

A well balanced programme of selections from prominent composers, among them Tschalkovsky and Archangelsky, and of hymns A. Diakoff, was much appreciated by the large audience of more than 200 who attended the Concert of Sacred Music by the Russian Orthodox Church choir of 26 voices at St. Andrew's Church

PART TWO

Deum-Archangelsky; The Longe vity—Turchaninof.

Wolfram Ore, Pigs. So Wu, master of trading junk

The crew, who were also taken

Curiously, So's junk was later

Scandinavia, the chances are | period." that he might attempt yet another spectacular move in the Balkans. Rumania's decision to limit her oil exports to Germany will undoubtedly be turned into an excuse for demanding that Yugoslavia and Rumania place themselves under the protection of Greater Germany. It is here that Italy's attitude will have to be made clear. Will she misled by Nazi promises into that "more troops were on the boration is essential "to the welacquiescing in the plan? And way." how far will the Nazi agree-d ment with the Soviet hold together in South-Eastern Europe? However, the situation is analysed. Herr Hitler's miscalculations have already cost him dearly and another false step would spell inevitable defeat for the Fuehrer's Napoleonic dreams of European dominion. In fact, the ending to the American Note suggesting able to exercise power over the IF HERR HITLER realizes of the first round in definite his inability to extend his favour of the Allies has lines of communication and brought the overthrow of the tion based on clauses in inter- be able to rally the Norwegians rainstorms. Many others are miss- fighting front in time, or, at Nazi terror even closer than national law, according to well- for a stand, "especially if the

"Laws of War" yesterday evening. In referring to the indiscriminate bombing of civilians and non-combatants in China by the Japanese, the sinking of neutral merchant shipping by Germany without warning, Dr. Lin said these were examples of the violation of International Law and moral law. All these were forbidden by the Laws of War.

Informal Talk Given By

Dr. Lin Wo - chiang

Telling present-day instances of the flagrant violation

of International Law were given by Dr. Lin Wo-chiang,

M.A., J.D., in an informal talk at the English Forum on the

On the other hand, there were instances where International Law was violated without violation of moral law, but in such cases there was a technical violation of International Law. The Altmark incident was given as one instance of this in which Britain and Norway were concerned.

Britain, in order to prevent Germany from carrying out a scheme injurious to her within the territorial waters of Norway, 'entered these waters and rescued some 250 British prisoners on board a German ship homeward bound.

TIMELY AND TOPICAL

Dr. Lin opened his address by saying that the question of the Laws of War was both timely and topical as there were two wars going on now, one in the Far East and the other in Europe,

ordinary law in that they were rather unethical to say that war was the final arbiter of right and wrong, but then he was dealing with the question of International Law and not with international morality.

Dr. Lin gave a brief resume of the history of International Law. ultimate victory. He said it had its first customs and usages in the early days of Greece when it was the practice to send heralds to declare war against an enemy nation. But it was not until the 16th and 17th centuries that writings on the subject were first published. The Law developed on inter-

fram ore, fowls and pigs, valued being conducted on such horrible ed and devastating scale; it would ap-So and his three fokis were pear that the Laws of War are calculations but none greater than *.* Dr. Lin is an authority on In-

boat near Lungshunwan. The ternational Law, and is the first spiritual forces of the world as aggression, Herr Hitler's pre- pirates put the crew in the hold Chinese scholar to have made a much as by the material power of special study on Aviation Law both their brave defenders. ceived his education at the Univer- to give us your aid to crush the sity of Chicago, and Cambridge powers of tyranny and wickedness University.

Monsters Of

LONDON, " Apr. 16 (Reuter),-When speaking to the National Free Church Council here today, Mr. Neville Chamberlain "said. "Since this latest outrage of those monsters of wickedness in Germany who seem to have shut the gates of mercy upon mankind all my thoughts have been occupied with a view to counter that stroke.

"It is becoming clearer every day that our fight against Naziism is just part of an eternal war between right and wrong.

"Every day that passes gives some new demonstration of Germany's utter disregard of religion, mercy, truth and justice.

CONFIDENCE REPEATED

"If the Germans were totriumph in what they are doing, then every fortress that has been The Laws of War deferred from built by civilisation upon the principles of Christianity would go concerned with States and not down, and the world would relapse with individuals. It may sound into that barbarism which only a little time ago we sthought-had been buried under centuries of

"They will not go down, Only a short time ago, I declared that-I felt ten times as confident as at the beginning of the war of the "I repeat that confidence now.

GERMAN SAVAGERY

"Every victim that has felt the" weight of Germany's savagery adds millions to those who have already condemned - her because every act of hers makes it even more unmistakably clear that no people, however meek and peacenational customs and usages and ful or however harmless, can be now in the 20th century, with war safe until this mad dog is destroy-

"Germany has made many mis-

"This war will be won by the

"I appeal to you with confidence for ever."

IRREPARABLE MUTILATION **GERMAN**

PARIS. April 17 (Reuter)-"After eight days of fighting the first result is the massive, irreparable mutilation of the German fleet." declared M. Paul Reynaud, the French Prime Minister, speaking in the French Senate last night.

"Its losses amount to 30 pe cent, of its heavy tonnage damaged, 20 per cent, of its cruisers sunk, 25 per cent. of its destroyers sunk and 15 per cent. of its destroyers damaged, without counting several U-Boats that have been sunk. "Secondly, 78,000 tons of Ger-

ly able to prevent him from man merchant shipping have been increasing his difficulties in sunk or captured during the same

NO ALLIED LOSSES M. Reynaud adds that the loss in Allied merchant shipping, over

the same period, has been nil. "The third result is that the iron route to Germany has been cut The fourth is the enormous setback for Germany and defeat not only for her Navy but also for her propaganda."

NOT ANOTHER HACHA

Hankon, who M. Reynaud declared municate with him and try to refused to be another Hacha, the persuade him to return to the French Premier said that Allied Capital. troops had disembarked and added

Following M. Reynaud's" speech and Air Force Committees. has been postponed.

MEXICO CITY, Apr. 17 (Havas)

informed circles.

Last Chance For King Haakon

MEAN NOTHING TO HIM BERLIN April 17 (Reuter)— Germany yesterday gave King Haakon "one last chance" to capitulate to the German occupa-

NAZI THREATS

The Puppet Oslo Government After a moving reference to King are making a final effort to com-

tion "or face the life of a hunted

They decided that his collafare of the people."

From the Nazi point of view the Senate adjourned after agree- King Haakon is faced with the ing to go into a Secret Session only alternatives, "throne or exile." Acon the reports by the Army, Navy cording to the Official German News Agency. King Haakon is Secret Session on general policy being "dragged along like a prisoner by a rump Cabinet without a chance to learn what is

the real situation in Norway." It is admitted in Berlin that -The Mexican Government's reply the Puppet Government is only that the oil dispute be settled by German-occupied areas and that arbitration will be a firm rejec- in the north King Haakon may British land at Narvik."

LIES TO PREPARE GERMAN PUBLIC

Nazi Propaganda Again Misfires Badly

Canadian Troops Serving In Norway Fronts

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)—The German public is still being told that the Allies have not landed in Norway, and that Narvik is still in German hands, although the German propaganda squad is careful to hint that something is afoot.

The British landing took place yesterday at many points held by the Germans, the official communique said yesterday.

Official statements also maintain that the situation of the Germans in the far north is unchanged but go on to say that Allied ships are standing ready for an attempted landing. By delicate steps the Nazis are preparing the way for bad news."

TOUGH MEN "NEEDED

LONDON, April 17 (Reuter)-

number of Canadians who had

volunteered for service in Finland

and who received special train-

ing to that end. "It is pointed out

that tough and seasoned men are

required for the Norwegian cam-

Mountains in the far north are

still in full winter and even

around Oslo the south woods are

The Norwegian troops will have

the advantage in this campaign

for they are cereainly tough, and

seasoned. Their idea of a plea-

sant week-end is to go out hunt-

ing in the forests and sleep ou

ALLIED PLANS WELL LAID

The German press has been en-

LONDON, April 17 (Reuter)-

Actually, Stavanger is the only

ITALIAN PRESS

COMMENTS

The postponement of Satur-

day's meeting, at which Signor

Mussolini was to have spoken,

While newspaper headlines con-

tinued to affirm that Germany

Norway, a British communique an

nouncing the landing of Forces

given the honour of bold headings

The Giornale d'Italia states it is

not possible for a few days to

give a true account of the respec-

tive naval losses of the Allies and

The Tribuna says let us wait for

the stabilisation of the military

situation to which seems to be

linked the final collapse of the

PEOPLE IN THE

DARK

ROME, Apr. 17 (Reuter)—Only

the Italian, and of course, the

The Italian people were still

without news of this landing yes-

terday morning. The Popolo di

Roma and other papers gave a

lot of space to reports of German

forces reaching Norway. They

state that the situation is still

improving in favour of the Ger-

AN EXCUSE FOR

EVERYTHING

among other points at Harstadt, German invasion of Norway.

first line of the naval blockade.

consolidating her positions in

is now confirmed.

in most papers

Germany.

ROME, April 17 (Reuter)-

tull of melting snow

in the hills and snow."

Meanwhile there is continued have already been arranged bestress on the superior force that tween the Allies and the Northe German Navy is meeting in wegians. For instance, the Noran attempt to prove that Narvik wegians have been asked to accept useless. Anyway, this is of British and French coinage while course far" from the case for prices are fixed at the Norwegian who ever holds Narvik hold both level and billeting rates at the the inward and outward route to British level. the iron fore mines.

The capture of Narvik is confirmed in a special Norwegian Tough men are needed for broadcas, from the B.B.C. which battle for Norway and this has reveals that matters of detail led unofficial but reliable military

GERMAN TROOPS REACH SWEDISH FRONTIER STN.

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The thoroughness or the ptiparations for the German onslaught on Norway is now being revealed and the fact that agents were waiting at landing places to put themselves at the disposal of the German troops on arrival has served to put other neutrals on their guard.

ON THE ALERT

In south-eastern European countries, in particular, the authorities are stated to be on the alert and are carefully watching the move-

ments of possible German agents, couraging its readers by talking The similarity of the technique about the mili ary air bases Geradopted by Germany towards Nor- many will have in Norway, from way to that employed in earlier which to bomb Britain, aggressions, is noted in The Times which recalls that Rib- properly equipped military bentrop preceded the invasion of and military observers point out sures. Poland by a diatribe against the that it is futile to threatan air Polish Government for rejecting raids from a base which is con-"reasonable terms" which in fact tinually under attack. they had not yet even seen.

"A very similar method seems to Germans are seeking new bases have been used against the Nor- in Norway; but it is also quite likely drawn into the war, to confer on wegians. In the small hours of that the Allied Expeditionary Tuesday morning last week the Force has its plans well laid and Nazi Minister in Oslo presented Allied bases in Norway may well himself at the Foreign Office with become important strategic faca series of twelve demands with tors of the war. which it was urgent that the Norwegian Government should instantly comply. In consideration of their acceptance, it appeared that the Nazis would, "protect" Norway against the alleged diabolical designs of Great Britain and France since Germany "still tried to defend the rights of neutral "countries."

THE ONLY RIGHT "From a study of the text of the ultimatum to Norway it appears that the only right of neutral countries is the right to object to servitude under the Nazi heel and the Norwegian Government, representing, as they do, free people, naturally rejected the terms with contempt. But what shows familiar technique is the timetable.

"Dr. Bauer presented the Nazi demands at five o'clock in the morning. German warships had already been sighted at midnight and fighting had begun between them and the Norwegian coast defences soon after half-past three. In fact, the Cabinet was already assembled at the Foreign Office to discuss the conduct of the war in being before" Dr. Bauer arrived with the conditions on which the German, public seem to have Nazis were prepared to preserve been kept in the dark about the peace. There is no reason why any Allied landing in Norway, further victims should be taken

GERMANS LAUNCH ATTACK

PARIS, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-A French communique says that on the part of the front held by British troops, the enemy launched an attack prepared and accompanied by artillery fire. The attack was repulsed and the enemy suffered serious losses,

artillery fired on enemy organisations, and the activity of our re- wireless last night, which stated members of which are volunteers. connaissance units reached up to that "Allied troops probably landed, was rapidly reformed" after the East Vosges.

Chinese Shell Nanchang

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Following counter - attacks by their vanguards, the Chinese forces gained a position four li from Nanchang, capital of Kiangsi and are now subjecting the city to heavy artillery fire, according to a report from Chungking to the Sinwanpao. Many small towns on the outskirts of Nanchang have been recaptured by the Chinese who are rapidly closing in on the city on all sides, the journal reports.

Foreign Help Not Wanted

HOLLAND STANDS QUITE ALOOF

AMSTERDAM, April 17 Reuter)-Suggestions regarding foreign help for Holland's overseas possessions, should the Mother Country be invaded, are firmly rejected in responsible circles.

Should Holland be overrun the East and West Indies will simply cilcles in London to believe the be part of Holland that "has not reports that among the Allied been conquered, it Is stated. truops now in Norway is a large

The Telegrapi writes that should unexpected events in Europe result in breaking connection with the Netherlands Indian Government. the latter is quite capable of continuing to administer the Indies the penalty of disaster of an overwithout help or protection.

The East Indies possess a fleet out command of the sea." and an army whose strength" it would be unwise for any power to under rate.

D.E.I. INTEGRITY GUARANTEED

-An official Note published in the press points out that the Dutch Indies have their own government technique of the ultimatum to United States and Japan.

MESSAGES TO AMERICA Firstly, the general reinforcement of the army and navy sta-

It is, of course, likely that the Secondly, should Holland the Indies greater administrative autonomy.

Numerous efforts have been observed in Holland to interest the United States in the fate of the Dutch possessions.

Queen Wilhelmina and the Foreign Minister, as well as the Indies Government, have recently addressed radio messages to the American people.

IF BELGIUM GOES TO WAR

BRUSSELS, April 17 (Reuter)-Enthusiastic cheers were accorded M Spaak in his speech in the Senate in which he emphasises Belgium would defend herself if

attacked. One condition on which we should go to war, would be to save our independence, he declared.

If Belgium were dragged into the war she would undergo hard-"ships more tragic than those of any other belligerent nation. He pledged to do the utmost to spare Belgium that misfortune which she did not deserve.

the mountains and snow, so no yesterday. military importance can be attached to the landing."

WELL-SEASONED It is understood that the B.E.F. All are well-seasoned troops.

CANADIANS IN NORWAY

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)—It is officially confirmed that the Canadian-French troops are with the British Forces in Norway. The Expedition represents largely the Force organised for Finland, with all the special equipment LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)—The prepared for the weather severi-In the region of the Saar our landing of Allied troops in Nor- ties expected in the campaign way was admitted by the German there. The Expedition, many

Position Of Norway

FROM THE MILITARY POINT OF VIEW

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Principal comment in today's Press is the strategical position of Norway These comments were made by military correspondents. The Daily Telegraph says: "The

Allies had no easy problem. Fortunately the gallant assistance of the Norwegians eliminated many difficulties. The selection of suitable points of disembarkation was an important element in the Allied plan. Protection of the expedition in the passage means the provision of an adequate naval escort and concentration of ships. It is an amazing achievement to despatch and equip a strong and properly-equipped expedition within a week of the first warning."

NO OFFICIAL NEWS The Times says: "The Germans are still not fully informed about the British landings. It is probable that no official news will be issued till the enemy is obviously identifled at the landing places. Even different angles to launch the atthen, information will, be meagre."

The Daily Telegraph, in a leader says: "The German mind, evidently, is in no state to be trusted with the news that the great aerodrome of Stavanger is bomped again by wave after wave of British aircraft. Success of the raid will shatter the German delusions that their, air strength can avert seas expedition undertaken with-

STIFFENING UP THE SMALL NEUTRALS

The News Chronicle says: "An important consequence of the Allied successes in Norway is an immediate stiffening among the small neutrals. Every fresh achievement AMSTERDAM. Apr. 17 (Havas) will brace them up more to resist Nazi pressure,

A Times leader compares the

and their integrity was guaran- Foland and the "protection" offer teed at the Washington Confer- to Norway. "What shows the ence in 1922, in particular by the familiar technique is the timetable. Dr. Bratter presented his In the presence of menaces demands at five o'clock in the which may threaten this "Dutch morning. German warships were" crown jewei," the Dutch Govern- already sighted at midnight, and ment has considered several mea- lighting was begun between them and Norwegian coast defences soon after 3.30 a.m. The Cabinet had already assembled to discuss the conduct of the war in being Russia has done Germany a bad even before Dr. Brauer arrived with the conditions on which the Nazis were to preserve peace."

VOLUNTEERS FOR NORWAY

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter)—So many applications for enlistment in the Norwegian forces have been received by the Norwegian Legation here that a special depot is to be opened tomorrow to deal. with them.

An official of the Legation stated that at the moment it was only possible to register volunteers who, he understood could be of any nationality.

They hoped, he said, later to devise a scheme in association with British officials for using the men's services.

A number of Norwegian pilots are already serving on British warships.

VOLUNTEERS FROM SHANGHAL

Several Norwegian residents have the Gestapo. volunteered for service in the Norwegian army and many more fifty miles north of Narvik, but are expected to register in the alert as the police of Turkey in this district the movement of near future, an official of the where the paid agents of the troops is severely restricted by Norwegian consulate declared Reich have taken on the guise of

When and how the volunteers will proceed to Norway is not disclosed.

The official added that the Norm in Norway includes regiments wegian community solidly support from all parts of the British Isles. the legal Norwegian Government

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) inform us that the following unclaimed Tele- Force grams are lying in their offices:-From Shanghai: Sun Tse Him 42 Shanghai Street, Sun Chak Ming 21 Homuntin Street Gr. Fl. Li Kam c/o Kwong Tai Loy, Chan | yanced through darkness, but the 6 Bonham Road, Fong 605 Luk spirited defence put up by British Kwok Hotel "Chang Pin c/o Kow-

loon Hotel. Wyndham Street.

German Planes Set Ablaze

AIR RAIDS ON STAVANGER

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter)4 Additional details of the raid on, Stavanger show the aerodrome was subjected to intensive air attacks for over an hour.

Aircraft arriving on the scene after the raid had begun were able to identify their target when many miles out at sea from the fires which had been started in earlier attacks.

Over Stavanger a red glow suffused the sky and aircraft could be seen blazing fiercely at the southern end of the aerodrome.

GROUND DEFENCES

Direct hits were obtained on runways, a heavy bomb burst close to the civil aerodrome and the to defray the expenses for the control tower, and another started | year. a flerce fire nearby,

the bombers traversed the aero-" the meeting is forecast in official drome in successive waves des- circles of the Municipal Council. troying aircraft and buildings. They pitted the surface of the ciation held a meeting last night

The ground defences put up an opposition and the searchlights strove vainly to hold the bombers as they approached singly from

set up a barrage over the centre target. Despite opposition from the ground defences all the British aircraft returned to the base safely.

Quislings Galore

LONDON, Apr. 16 ((Reuter)-One feature of the German invasion of Norway which has attracted special attention is the use of Norwegian Nazis within the country.

The Times heads an article with "Quislings Everywhere" and goes on to explain this by saying that there are Quislings in every country of Europe who have been primed beforehand to prepare for Nazi invasion.

The "Glasgow Herald" says that Russian Bolshevism first developed this system which the Nazis have now developed.

BAD TURN TO RUSSIA

Both The Times and other papers see the Allied military action as a powerful antidote for fear among the neutrals of "the Nazi threats.

The Times also comments that turn over this because the Allies could not have sent a trained expeditionary force so quickly if one had not been prepared for Finland some months ago.

The Daily Telegraph points out that only last week the Nazi Foreign Minister. Joachim von Ribbentrop, had said that the German forces would see to it that no Briton or Frenchman showed his nose in Denmark for the rest of

How foolish that boast reads to-

TOO MANY GULPS! The Daily Mail says that Ribbentrop is accustomed to swallowing his own words but until now

he has not had to swallow them so quickly. Commenting on the sudden influx of German tourists into the Balkans. The Times says that it is

a gross violation of international good manners under which these men were given diplomatic passports or papers stating that they were attached to official missions.

In Yugo-Slavia a number of arrests have been made of people SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Havas)-1 suspected of being connected with

. The Times comments that the Yugo-Slavian police seem to be as harmless businessmen.

GERMANS RAID MAGINOT LINE

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter)-The Germans launched an attack against a sector of the British Maginot Line 'early today

This news has been telephoned by Reuter's correspondent who is with the British Expeditionary

The attack was preceded by a whistle and the crash of shell fire making a rearward barrage.

The German troops then adinfantrymen drove them back. Six Germans were found dead,

From Tokyo, Wo Hing Co. 3 The British suffered some casual-

STERN OPPOSITION FROM JAPANESE EXPECTED

Shanghai Ratepayers To Vote Increased Taxation

"SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter) - Thousands of British, American and Japanese, as well as members of the minority nationalities in the International Settlement, are expected to turn out for the annual Municipal Council Ratepayers' Meeting this afternoon,

The meeting will be held at the Race Club and it is expected that the Japanese will vigorously oppose the Municipal Budget, providing" for a fifty per cent tax increase.

If the Japanese succeed in stopping the passage of the Budget it will mean that the Municipal Council will be faced with the task of revising the Budget and seeking other means besides tax

However, an easy passage of all Aided by the light of the moon the resolutions to be put before

The Japanese Residents' Assoto plan an organised opposition to the Budget and tax increase measures, but Council officials feel confident that the opposition will be overcome because a large turn-out of British and American voters is assured, as was the case The light anti-aircraft batteries | during last week's election of Council members.

> If the Budget resolution is de feated by the Japanese voters, it is probable that confusion in the Municipal Government would re-

> It is only by the passage of th measure that the Council can raise funds to pay the police. firemen and other public services If the resolution is defeated it is believed that no bank would advance a loan to keep the Municipality running for another year unless assurances are forthcoming from foreign Powers.

Between six to eight thousand voters are expected to attend the

BRUSSELS. Apr. 17 (Reuter)-According to reports from Namur,

No Ties With Germany

REPEATED SOVIET STATEMENT

PARIS, Apr. 17 (Havas) The political situation in Europe, and chiefly the attitude of the nonbelligerent powers, is becoming increasingly clear as military in Northern events develop

Serious danger exists for the Balkan countries but the threat does not come now from Germany and Russia but from Germany and Italy, political circles believe. For the third time in four days Russia yesterday semi-officially indicated she has no military ties with Germany.

BALKAN POLICY SPLIT This attitude is considered all the more important as it is known with absolute certainty that Germany requested Russian help in the Scandinavian adven-

Political circles believe Berlin and Moscow failed to 'agree on a common Balkan policy, and the changed Russian attitude was evidenced in Foreign Commissar Molotov's speech when he clearly indicated that Russia was following an independent policy in the Balkans.

Meanwhile, observers point out that the Nazi will not be able to conceal for long from the German population the defeats in Scandinavia and will attempt a blitzkrieg action in south-east Europe to regain lost prestige.

STOCKHOLM Apr. 17 (Reuter) many inhabitants of Luxembourg -- The A.R.P. scheme for Sweden tear an attack may be directed came into force yesterday and it against Namur. It is reported covers the whole country and not that the Germans put out 21 long just the south and west. All A. pontoons in the Moselle and a R.P. workers are standing by and large number of German . "tou- all ports in southern and western rists". recently entered Luxem- Sweden are closed to foreign ship-



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TECHNICAL ERROR PLEA

W. A. Hollwig, of Messrs, Hodges and Co., was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for failing to make a declaration to the Import and Export Department regarding the import of 10 cases of saccharin into the Colony.

'The defendant pleaded guilty and said that it was a technical mistake.

He explained that in former years, when goods were imported to Hongkong, the bill of lading was sent to the bank while the goods were taken delivery of by Messrs. Sherley and Co., distributors. The system changed in 1939 and the bill of lading was sent direct to him though delivery was still taken by the distributors. He sent the bill of lading to the bank and was under the impression that Messrs. Sherley and Co., had made the necessary declaration.

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SHIPPING FIRM FINED

Remarking that at the present times strict observation must be made in the Registration Regula- Share) on the Company's holding tions, Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the in the Grand Hotel des Wagons-Central Court yesterday, imposed Lits, Ltd. as against a dividend Convicted on a charge of desera fine of \$200 on Messrs, Jebsen amounting to \$18,870.87 from the tion from the Hongkong, Police and Company, a shipping concern, same source in 1938. Although a Force on November 18, 1924, more for failing to submit to the police welcome increase is thus shown, than 15 years ago, a Chinese a list of names of non-Chinese it must be pointed out that the named Loung Sam was sentenced passengers , who, departed the tates of the dividends declared in to a month with hard labour by Colony on Mar. 16.

Detective-Berge. Hill, of the Re- 30, 1938, and 1939, were P.\$1.25 per Court yesterday.

gistration Office, said that the Share, and P.\$3.00 per Share, res- Convicted also of the larceny Company was pressed for the list Dectively, so that the actual nett of an army overcoat and a mac which was not submitted till two increase of only some H.K.\$1,800.00 kintosh, Leung was further seiweeks after the departure of the appears meagre—this being due, as tenced to another two months ship The fact was that two I have already shown, to the de- hard labour

ed guilty on behalf of the defen- not appear to require comment request of Det.-Serst Allen prosedant firm said that it was an un- from me with the exception of cuting, who explained that the intentional mistage on the part "Bad and Doubtful Debts Written complainant in the case could not

WAR CAUSES DECLINE HOTEL TRADE

PUBLIC AUCTION. But H.K. & Shanghai Hotels Satisfactory Have

The drop of some \$115,000 in the gross profits of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Co., Ltd., for 1939 in comparison with that for the previous year, was attributed, so far as the Hongkong establishments are concerned, to the outbreak of hostilities in Europe, in the early part of September last year and the consequent decline of the tourist business in the Colony.

This was mentioned by Mr. J. Scott Harston, chairman of directors, in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts for 1939 at the annual general meeting held yesterday.

1939 was \$960,143.91 and he consi- in the Accounts for the previous dered it by no means unsatisfac- year. tory in the light of conditions under which trading was conducted during the period under review, financial year 1939 is \$683,558 16.... although it compared unfavourably a drop of some \$127.000.00 when with the same item credited at \$1,-Chesterfield Suites, Sideboards, 073,691.13 in the account for the 1938 and on bringing forward the

TOURIST TRADE CRIPPLED

death of Mr. Edward Osborne, propriation. former member of the Board of Directors, who passed away in the in the Balance Sheet, Mr. Scott-Spring of last year.

saide in part:-

Europe, however, tourist business of the current year our Hotels in ceased altogether in Hongkong, the North have been doing busiand, moreover, a marked reduction ness to full capacity, but, as you in the volume of shipping here know, the offset of exchange defrom Europe and other parts of terioration has worsened since the

in the number of passenger arrivals | derived from passenger arrivals in in the Colony affected most adver- the Colony an improyed business sely the volume of business we over that for the last quarter of usually derived from all classes of the year 1939, but I would emtransient visitors.

able to state that the volume of be expected in the first quarter of local support accorded our various the year in normal times. Restaurants, Ball Rooms, and Cates in Hongkong reveals an increased preference during the year cord an expression of sincere ap-1939 on making comparison with preciation of the good work done results for 1938.

pany's activities in North China subsidiary Company, in Hongkong, during the year 1939, the opera- Shanghai and Pelping, including tion of the Palace "Hotel for that the Company's Agents in "the period affords a very pleasing re- Northern Cities, and especially insult. Although that Establishment cluding Mr. Suckling, our Genera has constituted a popular rendez- Manager, who was in charge of the vous in Shanghai over a long Company's interests during "the period, it has during 1939 (stimu- absence of our Managing Director, lated by various improvements Mr. Taggart, last summer, all o made to guest accommodation and whom have throughout the year to Dublic rooms during the year) devoted themselves assiduously to achieved results of a record stand- the interests of the Company in

DETERIORATION IN EXCHANGE feel that in so doing I will receive terioration in the exchange value have no doubt that you will ratify of Shanghai currency which oc- your Directors' recommendation. curred last year, offset to a in conclusion be proposed the material extent the advantage of balance of \$1,001,118,60 standing at increased earnings when conver- credit of Profit and Loss Account sion thereof had to be made to be appropriated as follows:-Pay Hongkong currency for merger in a Dividend of 50 cents per share the general accounts.

Hotel, Shanghai, you will recollect Account \$37,124.54. Payment of I reported to you at our last An- Bonus to European Staff \$31,113 .nual Meeting that the Hotel and 36, Carry Forward to New Account its contents had been leased for \$335,947.20. a term of three years from the The report and accounts were first of January, 1939. I am now duly adopted. able to inform you that such tenancy arrangements have worked The appointment of Mr. A. Morse smoothly up to date, and that a to the Board was duly confirmed satisfactory income accrued there- and Messrs, E. M. Raymond retirfrom during the year 1939 for em- ing Director, was re-elected. bodiment in the year's Working Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and

The Hotel in Peiping operated tors. by our subsidiary Company con- Mr. J. Scott Harston presided tinues to show excellent results, and was supported by the followand in respect of its last financial ing directors, Mr. El. M. Raymond, year ended on June 30, 1939, fur- the Hon. Mr. M. R. Lo. Mr. A. nished a record profit. Here also Morse, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie Mr. the severe depreciation of the Chi- J. H. Taggart, Mr. P. H. Suckling nese National Currency deprived (General Manager) and Mr. F. C. the parent Company of a substan- Barry (Secretary). tial portion of the benefit in respect of its holding.

WELCOME INCREASE

The item. "Dividend on Invest. Sherry, M. H. Lo. S. H. Ross, Fung ments" shown in the Profit and Kwok-wa; T. R. Parsons and C. C. Loss Account at \$20,884.56 includes Blake. \$20,647.08 in respect of the dividend (at the rate of P.\$3.00 per

Mr. Scott Harston said that the | which charge is some \$8,800,00 in balance of working account for excess of the like provision made.

DROP IN PROFIT

The nett Profit earned over the compared with the nett result for sum of \$317,560.44 carried over from the 1938 Accounts an amount The chairman referred to the of \$1,001,118.60 is available for ap-

After referring to certain items .Harston, continuing, said:-Al-Continuing. Mr. Scott Harston though it is difficult to endeayour to forecast future prospects, I can With the advent of the War in state that during the first quarter the World immediately followed turn of last year. Hongkong Estab-The consequent heavy decrease lishments during that period have phasise that the volume thereof Nevertheless I am pleased to be falls far short of the standard to

STAFF THANKED At this juncture I desire to reby the various members of the In connection with the Com- Staffs of the Company, and of our

times of exceptional difficulty. Unfortunately, the further de- your hearty endorsement, and

on 1,193,867 Shares \$596,933,50. With regard to the Astor House Transfer to Repairs and Renewals

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS Flemming were re-appointed audi-

Shareholders present were:--Messra, E. O. Murphy, Wong Manching, C. N. Kong. H. Gittins, J. P.

POLICE DESERTER CHARGED

respect of the years ended June Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon

without the police knowing about Currency.

A charge of assault on a man without the police knowing about Currency.

A charge of assault on a man man maned wu Ping-hing at Spring Other Items in fite Profit and Garden Lane. Victoria, on October Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, who plead- Loss Account are normal and do 15, 1924, was withdrawn at the of the clerk.

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perking, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

APPOINTMENT

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under instructions from the Right Honourable, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Mr. Bruce Hale Puckle, D.S.O., to be Assistant Director of Air" Raid Precautions with effect from January 22, 1940, (Authority, Government Gazette Notification No. 397 dated April 12 BLACKOUT EXERCISE

The Director of Air Raid Precautions wishes to thank all ranks for their fine co-operation during the blackout and for the efficient and tactful manner in which they all carried out their duties A.R.P. ARMLETS AND CAR PENNANTS

The armlets issued to Wardens for use during the recent black out exercise must" be "collected by Divisional Warden s. and kept on their charge pending re-issue on future occasions.

A.R.P. Office.

TRAINING. Instructors! Class in English ed to 12 students.

Wardens Classes in Chinese (Syllabus "A"), Hongkong:-Taikoo Sugar Refinery Chinese School, Quarry Bay Village .- 5.15 p.m., Wednesdays and Fridays. Commencing on Wednesday, April 17, 1940. Class A-Lecturer:-Mr. Francis Wong, L.A.R.P.S. Class B-Lecturer:-Mr. So Chung Shun. LARPS.

Central Police Station-Mondays to Fridays, at 10.15 a.m. commencing on Wednesday, April 24, 1940. Lecturer:—Mr. Ko Hay Man, LARPS. Bowloon: - Police Training

School, Nathan Road -- Mon. Fri., 7 p.m. Commencing on Monday, April 15, 1940. Lecturer:-Ho Chok Nam, LARPS. Practical Demonstration: -- An

Albert Road, on Wednesday, April 24, 1940, at 5.30 p.m. Members of the public are invited to attend. STRENGTH-INCREASE

The following qualified as War dens at an examination recently held under Syllabus "A". Mrs. D. G. Wilson, Miss A. Avery. Mrs. A. J. Palmer.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE The following members of the

St. John Ambulance Brigade per-

CENSORSHIP **PUZZLE**

.The King and Queen recently went to their first charity matinee of the war, at the Palace Theatre, in aid of the Lord Mayor's Red Cross rund. Because the censorship rules forbid any mention in advance of Royal movements, Their Majesties' presence was unheralded,

"WHISPER" HEARD Bu; nearly everyone in the fashionable Mayfair audience had heard a "whisper" that "Royalty might be present." As the matinee had been (within the bounds of censorship) billed as under the immediate patronage of the King and Queen, it was not difficult for the surprise to be guessed.

Royal officials with Ministry of Information collaboration, orew up the censorship regulations for the reporting of activities of the Royal Family. They had not foreseen the difficulty in which organisers of bona-fide charity functions, which have earned the Car Pennants issued to A.R.P. personal interest and support of personnel must be returned to the the King and Queen, would be placed

PURPOSE DEFEATED Having persuaded the Palace (Syllabus "B"): Club Lusitano, authorities "that (a) their func-Wed, and Fri, at 5.45 p.m. com- tion is important enough to warmencing on Wednesday, April 24, rant the presence of Their Maj-1940. Lecturer:-Mr. R. P. Dunlop, esties and (b) the presence of the B.Sc. Names of candidates wish- King and Queen will add to ing to attend should be submitted popular interest; and thereby to the A.R.P. Office on Monday, magnify receipts, organisers must April 22. The class will be limit- not announce publicly in any way that the King and Queen are coming. They must not even tell ticket sellers confidentially whom

> According to experienced charity collectors, this arrangement defeats the very purpose of the Royal presence.

COTTAGE CLUB PAPER HUNT

The next Cottage Club paperhunt will be held from Dill's corner on Saturday, April 20, at 3.30 p.m.

Riders are asked to congregate at 3 p.m. at the Club House from where car transport will be provided to the meet.

Club ponies will be sent to the Incendiary Bomb Demonstration star; and riders of private ponies for Chinese Candidates will be are asked to make their own held at the A.R.P. Office. Lower arrangements in this connection.

> sonnel have passed the full ARP. Anti-gas Course and A.R.P. Voluntary Ald Course. A. H. Rumjahn, Chan Yuk In.

Miss M. B. Newman. Brigade), LAGI

A. S. Potter, Szeto Chung. (Sgd.) H. W. LEYDEN, Warden Instructor.

TRAINING GALLOPS AT THE VALLEY

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GOOD FOR LEAGUE XI

British Army 5 Football League 2 There's something about" -soldier! "

The Army boys certainly showed their civilian colleagues a thing or two in the shooting line. Four goals in the first half without reply made it look as though the match was going to be a walk-

But the League team showed and Balmer netted for them twice. more engagements in London, re-The leeway was too grêat. The following have qualified as however, to be made up, and the the blackout. Instructors (St. John Ambulance soldiers also notched a further This month the beloved Queen

> minute substitute at outside left. twice for the Army.

Barber, who was on leave from

not travel Fifteen thousand people saw friends privately. the Army take the lead in a thrilling spell through Mercer, who shot through a crowd of players after five minutes.

MORE METHOD The Army played with rather he was stationed: more method, backed by halfbrilliance, and Fenton increased the lead in nineteen minutes following grand work by Fagan.

The League attacked, but their work lacked cohesive art, and Barber took over from Copping Foxall added two more goals with to increase the Army lead in twenty-seven minutes. Barber added a tourth goal in forty minutes with a fine cross-shot. Gardner went of the field with a face injury. The League showed improve-

over the top a dangerous shot most Cuptie fervour. from Matthews. The League were now making start. Hassall scored after two better use of their wing men. It minutes, and, ten minutes later,

on the turn, reduced the lead in ings, and Warhurst made a great 61 minutes, and scored again in save from Bremner. Just before crossshot.

WEST HAM ROMP HOME

On the whole, however, West the Southampton defence was Ham were the more thrustful and severely tested.

BELOVED QUEEN MOTHER

Mary's "evacuation" home is at Badminton House. Badminton: Gloucestershire, home of the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort.

The historic house was built in 1682 by Henry Somerset, 1st Duke of Beaufort. The game of badminton takes its name from the ducal

VISITS TO LONDON

Although Badminton is well over 100 miles from London. Queen "Mary last week decided their mettle after the interval, that in future she will carry out turning to Gloucestershire before

Mother is expected to pay per first Barber, of Everton, a last- wartime visit to a West End theatre. A performance, in aid of war showed great form and scored charities, has been specially fixed for an afternoon

Last week Queen Mary paid two the Army to act as twelfth man visits to London. When she lunto Everton, was called on at the ched with the King and Queen at last minute to play for the Army Buckingham. Palace it was anin place of Compton, who could nounced in the Court Circular. On the second occasion she visited

> Lieut, Alan Ross, of the King's African Rifles, was drowned when a cloudburst flooded the camp near Nairobi: Kenya, where

paved the way for West Ham's first goal, which Foreman obtained a few minutes before half-time. Soon after the resumption Foreman increased the lead, then terrific shots and Fenton headed

SAINTS' WIN IS, LIKE A CUP TIE

Southsimpton 3 Arsenal Z Arsenal crashed at Southampment on resuming, with Gardner ton; but they did not go, down back. Jones was inches wide from without a fight, and towards the a free kick, while Kemp furned close the crowd was roused to al-

The homesters got a flying

was only the quickness of Kemp Bates, from close range, almost which prevented Dodds from going broke the back of the net. through in a thrill-packed game. Bastin and Leslie Jones piled Balmer, with a remarkable shot the Arsenal forwards with open-

76 minutes, Fenton added a fifth the interval, however, Logie, who goal for the Army with a good had moved to outside right, reduced Southampton's lead. The second half was almost a repetition of the first. The home-West Ham 5 Fulham 0 stere again began strongly, and,

Scoring four times in five in a few minutes, Osman got their minutes after the interval, West third goal following a corner.

Ham United, superior in team Afterwards Arsenal went all out. work, gained a convincing victory. Bastin moved to outside left, and

were quicker on the ball. The Compton hit the cross-bar from industrious efforts of Foreman in the penalty spot, and the defence the centre were always valuable. held out until nearly the end The half-back honours went to when Lewis scored Arsenal's Cockfoit, whose constructive skill second goal

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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

Pekin Syndicate 2

London, April 16. Chosen Corporation 6/6 The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. ... 15; market in London. All quotations S'hai Waterworks "A" ... 15; Union Insurance 291 are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors Gula Kalumpong Rubber 18/9 Allied Ironfounders 14 in transmission.

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Var Loan, 31% (Red	Austin Motors, ord.	
after 1952)	Cable & Wireless, New	
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1898 (Brit. Issue) 58	Mexican Eagle	124
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Chinese 5% Crisp Loan.	Dunlop Rubber	
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1925 (Vickers)	Imperial Chemical Ind.	
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Honan Rly 5% 15	Rolls Royce	91/3
Fukuang Riv 5%, 1911 19	Leyland Motors	73/9
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(German Stpd.) 13	Anglo-Dutch	22/41
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H.K., CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT

The following is the report of imports. the Board of Directors of the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., to the Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the office of the Company, on Thursday, April 25, at noon.

LOSS FOR YEAR The loss for the year, after providing" for depreciation of steamers at the usual rate, repairs, etc., are used to and often without is \$173,985.04 which has been goods they require," warned transferred to Profit and Loss Ac- Robert Spear Hudson, Secretary to count bringing the credit of that the Overseas Trade Department. pounds, to the people of France account to \$31,739.59, which your "Home consumption of many Directors recommend to be car- kinds of goods may have to be ried forward to a new account. drastically curtailed so that they their objectives :-The usual overhauls and repairs be sold abroad."

DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Articles red tupe. Only when Neville of Association, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Chamberlain heard how shipping Lo and Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E., shortages were holding up vital retire from the Board by rotation, exports did the Government finally but, being eligible, offer them- sanction Sir Andrew's schemes. selves for re-election.

On June 16, 1939, Mr. L. B. Wood aims the Exports Council was deshis appointment requires the confirmation of Shareholders at this merce." meeting.

AUDITORS The Accounts have been audited by Messrs, Linstead & Davis and Messrs. Lowe. Bingham & Matthews who retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for reelection.

H.K. ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO.'S REPORT

The following is the report of of the E.C. A world-wide "Buy the Board of Directors of the British" publicity campaign is to Hongkong Engineering & Con- be launched, stressing the fact struction Co.," Ltd., to be present- that each shipload of British yearly meeting of shareholders to the fight against Nazism. Hongkong, on Wednesday, May 1. market until war ends. Every miles away. 1940, at 12 noon.

ACCOUNTS The Net Profit for the "year after charging \$97,383.65 for Depreciation and providing Directors' and Auditors' Fees, amounts to \$2,611.79, to which has to be added the balance brought last account, \$10,565.68, making a total \$13,177.47, which it is recommend ed should be carried forward. DIRECTORS

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., and Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., retire rotation, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS The accounts for the year have audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Accountants, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The turnover for a Wednesday was good, being helped by H.K. Banks traded @ \$1,510, demand still unsatisfied and a line of Unions @ \$500

BUYERS H.K. Banks, \$1,510 H.K. Fires. \$171. H.K Steamboats, \$11 Docks Cum. Rts. \$211 Docks X Rts., \$19.40. Providents, \$4.35 H. S. Hotels. \$5.15 H.K. Lands, \$367 Realties, \$4.40. Trams, \$17.85 Electrics, \$65.40 Telephone (Old), \$28,40 Telephone (New), \$10 H.K. Ropes, \$51. Dairy Farms, \$21.35. Watsons, \$9.30. Entertainments: \$8.80. SELLERS Docks Cum Rts., \$22. Providents, \$4.45. Trams, \$18.

Telephones Old), \$282. SALES. H.K. Banks: \$1,510. Unions, \$500. Wharves, \$991. HK. Mines, 4 cts. Trams, \$17.90. Telephone (Old), \$28.40/60,

Electrics, \$857

WAR TO BE WAGED ON LOCUSTS

ANGLO-FRENCH TASK IN MALAYA Two tasks confront the Export Council: (a) to squeeze Germany

out of world markets by soaking Two powerful Anglo-French exup all war materials for sale, (b) peditions are being prepared for to find new markets to foot the vitally important secret missions bill of Britain's rapidly zooming in this part of the world, says the Malaya Tribune.

They will be armed with all the The results will affect Britons weapons of modern science, and far more than any land, sea or air their commanders will have orders offensive. They will all be divert- to achieve their objectives a; all ed abroad and sold for foreign costs.

currency or swapped for food and The expeditions are to begin their tasks immediately.

"The Englishman and his wife This is not a piece of war news will have to go without goods they smuggled past the censors. But is a piece of news that may mean many lives, and thousands of

For the two expeditions have as

(1) To find, in French Indowere effected during the year to Before the Export Council China, and Malaya a new wild Company's fleet of steamers machinery could be set ticking, banana which will produce a which are all in good running Sir Andrew Duncan, dogged Pre- cultivated fruit to resist the sident of the Board of Trade, dreaded leaf-spot disease; and.

hacked his way through forest of (2) To attack and destroy the breeding places of locusts, which cause damage running "into miltions of pounds yearly.

BANANA TRADE

Their organisation is one of the was invited to join the Board and cribed as "something completely first results of the co-operation of new in the history of British com- the French and British Empires arranged at the recent conference in Paris between Mr. Malcolm All non-arms industries are to MacDonald and M. Mandel, British be harnessed into separate War and French Colonial Secretaries. Export groups. Each unit will

The trade in banana amounts to share raw materials, organise tens of millions of pounds a year. efficient production and plan its It is the chief support of French own individual attack on a chosen Indo-China. from which all wild sector of world markets, which are specimens come.

The cultivated fruit is susceptible to disease resulting in heavy losses, and it is hoped, by crossing it with some hardy wild species, to make it immune.

ATTAUK ON LOCUSTS

The attack on the locusts is ed at the eighteenth ordinary goods bought abroad will a blow in intended to exterminate their breeding-places in the sandy soils be held at the offices of Messrs. By the week's end the Belfast of West Africa, and thus prevent Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. linen industry had agreed to make their descending in all-destroying George's Building, Chater Road, no more linen for the British swarms on the fertile plains many

available stitch of linen, save that Airplanes and poison gas will be needed for the services, is to be among the weapons used in this exported. Cotton, iron and steel, ruthless war. and the motor industries were

The British and French Governments hope, in due course, to work also with other powers colonies including LONDON, April 16 (Reuter) --possessing It is officially announced that at Holland, Belgium, Portugal and April 1 the official cost-of-living Italy. Interchange of informaindex figure was 78 per cent tion will begin at once on above the level of July," 1914 com- problems of health, crops, research pared with 79 per cent at March 1 and labour.

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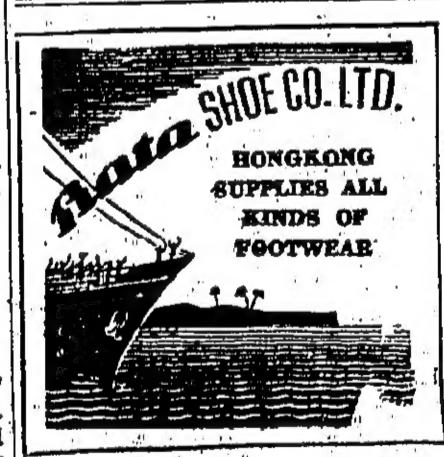
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Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Apr. 17, 1940. H.K. Electrics 200 \$65.65 H.K. Telephones (O) 500: 28.40 28,60

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MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

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CLOSING QUOTATIONS

	APRIL 17, 1940	,	
.On	London:-		
	Telegraphic Transfer.		
	Bank Bills, en demand		
ü	Credits 4 months sight	1/3	1/8
On	Shanghal:—	- 1	0 0
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On	Singapore:—		

On demand 52 1/2 On Japan:-On demand 91 On India:-Telegraphic Transfer. 182 1/4 and demand On New York:--Bank Bills, on demand 21 3/8 Credits, 60 days' sight 32 1/4 On Batavia:-On demand 39 5/8 On Paris:-Bank Bills, on demand 1085, Credits 4 months sight 1140 On Salgon:-

On demand 108 1/4 On Manila: On demand 42 3/4 On Bangkok:-On demand 150 On Sterling Notes:-Bank Buying Rate ... 1/4 Bar Silver per oz. 20 7/8

Market Report FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices rose yesterday to the extent of 1/8 for Ready and 1/16 for Forward the quotations being 20.7/8 and 20.3/4 respectively. Silver advices reported Speculators as having bought. A small" business was done. The market was steady. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York crossrate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York/London was quoted at 349. 6/8

Market . Steady,

Sterling Nothing doing. There were sell ers at 1/2.7/8 April/September and 1/2.27/32 October/January buyers at 1/2.29/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 November.

U. S. Dollars Opened with sellers at 21.9/16 buyers bidding 21.11/18 leading to business at 21.7/16 for July followed by transactions at 21.1/2 July 21.11/16 Cash and April. The market closed with sellers at 21 11/16 April, 21.5/8 May and 21.1/2 first half July, buyers at 21.3/4 Cash, 21.11/16: May and 21.9/16

Shanghai Dollars Sellers at 361. Shanghai Market Sterling sellers at 4.1/8 for Spot and U.S. Dollars probable "sellers at 6 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Apr. 17 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

London	0/4
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Paris	
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Spot 0/4-1/8	0/4-1/8
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Opening

Apr.: 0/4-1/32 0/4-1/32 May 0/3-7/8 0/3-7/8 U.S. Dollars Spot \$5-15/16 \$5-31/32 Apr. 5-13/16 5-7/8 5-21/32May 5-5/8 Market:-Quiet

Merchant Rates Sterling, 0/4-3/32. U.S. Dollars, \$5-15/16. Silver Duty Rate

was 1/2-1/2. The Equalisation rate was 9-3/4 per cent

New York Exchange

New York, Apr. 16, (Reuter) T.T. on London (Opening Rate) 3.49.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Apr. 18 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 90-1/8.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Apr. 16 (Reuter). Silver: Speculators bought. Littie offering. Business small. Market quietly steady. In the afternoon, the market was steady, with Standard small buyers at the rate but no

offerings. Spot, 20-7/8d. Forward, 20-3/4d. NEW YORK SILVER New York, Apr. 18 (Reuter). Silver, Official, 34-3/4.

COMMODITY BROKERS EXCHANGE BUILDING HONGKONG

COMMODITY MARKET

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, April 16, 1940.

"	Previous	April	16 "	,
SINGAPORE RUBBER	Closing C	pening	Closing	Change
0	Buyers	Buyers		
SPOT	35-1/2 3	5-5/8	35-5/8	up 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	34-3/8 . 3	4-1/2	34-3/8	unch.
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The market was idle.				+ h
LONDON RUBBER	revious close	Today'	s close	,
0	buyers	buy	ers " o	Change
SPOT	10-7/8	10-15	/16	up 1/16
MAY	10-15/16	., 10-15	/16	unch.
J U N E	10-7/8	10-15	/16	up 1/18
JULY-SEPT.	10-7/8	10-15	/16	up 1/18
OCTDEC.		10-7/	8	up 1/16
Market steady.	411	i	14-	k 90

NEW YORK COTTON: Prices moved higher following the opening on the advance of the foreign markets, and the "possibility of unfavourable weather. Talk of credits to the Allies to purchase farm products by the U.S. government further, strengthens all new crop months.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There is a continuation of broadening of outside interest and of Trade support following conflicting reports of war threat to Netherland East Indies" and indications of higher freights. All available outside offerings are reported to have been well taken. CHICAGO WHEAT: Speculative momentum was encouraged by

reports that the Rumanian government decided to ban on her exports and that the British government is contemplating further purchases of Canadian wheat to a larger scale. Hedging and realizing was easily absorbed. Crop conditions generally were bullish. NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 149.72; Today's close,

YORK COMMODITY

148.18; Change, off 1.54.

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

Prev. Today's

High Low Close Close Change

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Į-	New York Cotton, May	10.78	10.73 10.72	". 10.77 .05	5 ug
r	New York Rubber, May	19.20	18.88 18.82A	19.20 .38	3 · up
7	Chicago Wheat, May	110 <u>1</u>	1087 1088	110 <u>4</u> 13	ur
2.		621	601 601	621 1	ur
•	New York Hides, June		14.15 14.15b	14.15b u	nch.
	NEW YORK COTTON Close	Open	ing Closi	ng Ch	ange
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0	July10.44/4	4 . 10.46	/48 🚆 10.50/	/50 .08	3 up
-	July (New contract) 10.61 N	10.62	/62 10.67/	67	3 up
y.	October (,,) 10.07/09	7 10.09	/10 10.18/	/18 .11	up
e	December 4) 9.95 N	9.98/	98 10.08/	08 .13	up
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	NEW YORK RUBBER	<i>u</i> .			
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	July 18.24 E		111		l 'up
ů	September 18.00b/6		/20 18.27/	30 .27	up
S			— 18.02/	02 .27	, up
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	Totals sales:—2,840 tons.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	. 1/2	0.5
	CHICAGO WHEAT			- Tr.	
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	July 1071/10	78 1074/	1077 109/1		_
	September 1073/10	7 <u>å</u> 108}/	108 1081/	109 1 1	up
	Monday's sales:—10,136,000	bushels.		0	
	CHICAGO CORN				
	May 601/601	60 ½/6	•	- 11	up
	July 611/611		- 633/6		
	September 621/63		- 64 1 /64	1	up
	WINNIPEG WHEAT	12.1		6	
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MARKETS

NY-London Cross Rate 3.50-3/8

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-in the Stock Exchange the main The Central Bank of China's feature of yesterday's quiet marrate on London at 10 a.m. today kets was the sharp advance in Cable and Wireless ordinary stock from 611 to 631 on the announcement of the total distribution, for the year of four per cent as compared with 31 per cent the previcus year. Commodities and tin were firmer owing to the active covering induced by indications of reductions in warehouse stocks. Wall Street was irregular.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Apr. 16 (Reuter). TIN sellers Standard, Cash 253-1/2 253-3/4

Standard, 3 months 248-3/4 249

Set ment Price 253-1/2 Straits 273-3/4 to 278-3/4

LONDON GOLD

London, Apr. 16 (Reuter). Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168.

World Fair In Rome

3.49-5/8

REPORT TO BE PRESENTED

ROME, April 17 (Reuter)-Signor Mussolini may refer to the question of peace or war in the speech he is expected to make here on Saturday morning on the occasion of the second report of the Commissioner-General for the exhibition in Rome in 1942,

Speaking on the occasion of the first report last year, the Duce declared that if the Fascist Government entertained thoughts of war it would not be proceeding with the gigantic labour of a world exhibition.

FUTILE TRIP

BUCHAREST Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Herr Clodius is expected to return to Germany over the week-end. It is understood that he neither succeeded in getting the rate decreased in terms of Reichsmarks nor obtained any considerable increase in the export of foodstuffs to Germany.

YORK STOCK EXCHANGE OHOTATION

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STOCKS L	ast Sale	APRIL 17, 1940 STOCKS L	ast Sa
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Allied Stores	22 g	Lockheed Aircraft	40
Allis Chalmers	34+	Loew's Inc. Loft Incorperated	34 <u>1</u> 37 <u>1</u>
Aluminium Ltd	101	Mack Truck Inc.	261
Amer. Can		Martin, Glen L	45}
American Cyanamid B Amer. & Foreign Power		McKesson & Robbins, pid.	261
Amer & Foreign \$7 pf	18 25 /	Monsanto Chemical	114
American Gas & Elec	381	Montgomery Ward	511
Amer. Locomotive	19	National Aviation Nat. Dairy Products	15½ . 17¾
Amer. Metals Co	22"	Nat. Distillers	25
Amer. Radiator	81	National Gypsum	101
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	National Lead	21
Amer. S'ting and R'ing Co. Amer, Sugar Refining	51 201 • '	Inter, Paper & Power	17
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	173	Nat. Power & Light	81
Amer. Tobacco. "B"		National Steel Corp National Supply Corp	65 <u>1</u> 81
Amer. Waterworks	10	New York Central	
Anaconda Copper		Niagara Hudson Power	51
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.		N. American Aviation	243
Auburn Motors	1477	North American Co	213
Baldwin Lecometive		Northern Pacific	81
Baltimore & Ohio		Owens-Illinois Glass Co	
Barber Asphalt Ce.	_	Pacific Lighting	471
Barnsdall Oil	· 11#	Packard Motors	3
Bendix Aviation		Pan-American Airways	221
Bethlehem Steel		Paramount Pictures	
Bliss & Co	183 267	Pennsylvania R.R.	
Borg-Warner	221	Pheips-Dodge Philadelphia Read, Coal	37±
Bridgeport Brass Corp	113	Phillips Petroleum	38
Briggs Mfg.	221	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	81
Brooklyn-Minattan Trans.	- 17	Public Service of N.J.	421
Brooklyn-Manhattan \$6	` -	Pullman Inc.	257
Budd M'facturing Corp. Canadian Pacific R'way Case, J.I.	5	Pure Oil	
Case, J.I.	674	Radio Corpn, of Am Reading Company, Com	
Celanese	327	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	26*
Chesapeake & Ohio	393	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	41.
Chrysler Corpn.		Republic Aviation Corp	6
Climax-Molybdenum Co		Republic Steel	21
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	79 <u>1</u>	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc	131
Columbia Gas & Riec Columbia 6% "A" pf	921	Reynold Tobac, "B"	43
Commercial Credit Co	463 "	Safeway Stores	501
Com, & Southern (Ord.)	14	Schenley Distillers	13
Consolidated Edison		Sears Roebuck	862
Consolidated Oil	71	Shell Union Oil	113
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Corn Products		Sperry	443
Curtiss Wright (C.)	101	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	35¥
Curtiss Wright "A"	287	Standard Brands	71
Deere & Co	227	Stand Gas & Mec	17
Distillers Corpn. Seagrams	18‡ " 91‡	Standard Oil of California	221
Douglas Aircraft	- 47	Standard Oil of N.J Stone & Webster	41‡ 9 1
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Fisk Rubber		20th Cent. Fox.	94"
Flintkote	191		221
Gen. American Trans	0.001	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	177
Gen. Electric	- 4	Union Carbide & Carbon	811
Gen. Railway Signal	4.0	Union Pacific	96 <u>1</u>
Gen. Tire & Rubber	Labora III	United Aircraft United Airlines Trans	51≟ 22≟
Glidden Co.	177	United Corpn	21
Goodrich (B.F.)	171	United Corpri. \$3 cum pf.	38 <u>1</u>
	66*	United Gas Corpn	10
Goodyear Tire & Co	4 4 1	United Gas Improvement	121
Great Northern Iron Ore Great Northern Rly, pfd.		U.S., Industrual Alcohol U.S. Rubber	22½ 34%
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Hercules Powder Co	97	Vanadium	371
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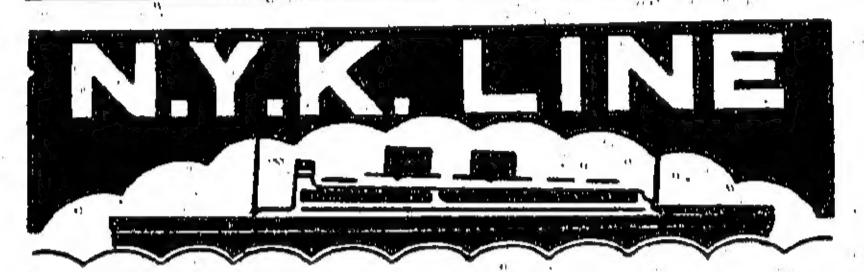
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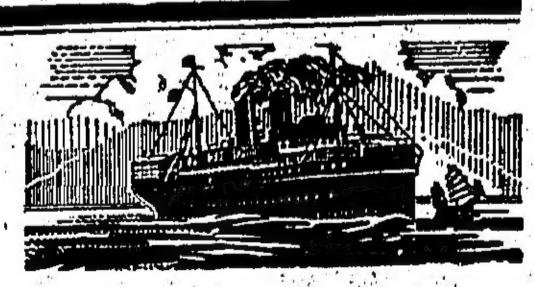
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WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

- 10 a.m., April 17. Barometer (at sea level), 30.02 ins." Temperature, 66 F. Humidity, 87 per cent. Wind Direction, E. ... Wind Force (Beaufort), 4. Temperature; maximum yesterday,

Temperature; minimum last night, Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st 16.57 lns. Against an average of 8.68 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.44 p.m." Sunrise tomorrow, 6.01 a.m. 4 p.m., April 17. Barometer (at sea level), 29.89 ins. Temperature, 68 F.

Humidity, 94 per cent Wind Direction, E. Wind Force (Beaufort), 4. Maximum temperature, 70 F. Minimum temperature, 67 F. Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE From 18 to 24 Apr. 1940.

Hig	H W	ATER.	LOW WATER				
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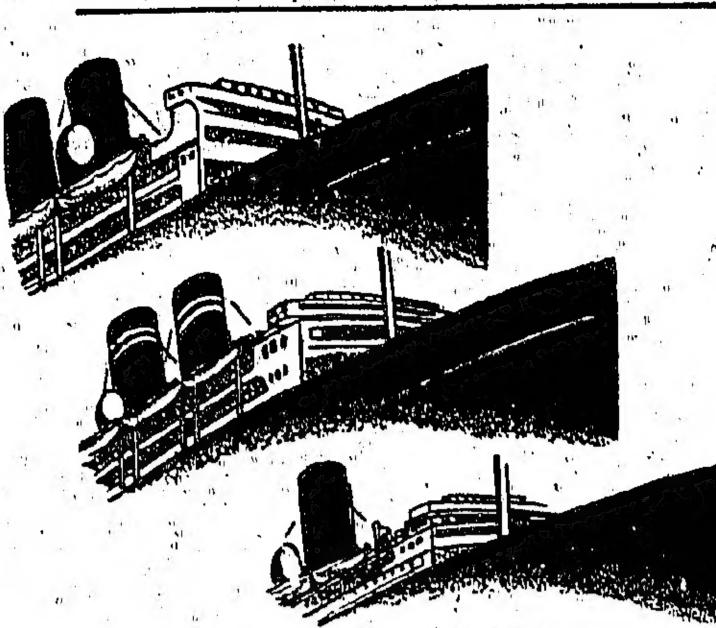
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ELVERUM WEEKLY SAILING STOCKHOLM, Apri, 17 (Reu-

hours of the invasion to intercept King Haakon and the Norwegian Government is still vainly attacking Elverum. According to" a dispatch - from MACAO LINE

the Swedish frontier, Norwegian troops in the Elverum region are strongly placed on a bridge over

the River Glomma. Heavy snowfalls are impeding the German motorised units and following the example of the Finns, Norwegian suicide patrols of skilers are harassing the Germans and cutting their communications while the civil population is assisting by hiding food supplles.

Still Vainly

Attacking

GERMAN TROOPS IN

ter)-The German column which

thrust northward in the early

CONTACT ATTEMPT

Following the Norwegian withfrom Kongsvinger from which, according to the paper Aliehanda the last Norwegian troops departed yesterday morning, a decisive battle is expected shortly for possession of Elverum and Hamar.

In the extreme south-east the Germans are reported to have occupied the whole of Oestfold Province and Norwegian troops are either crossing "the Swedish frontier or going north in an effort to contact the Norwegians holding the western defence line.

FALSE GERMAN CLAIMS

LONDON, April 17. (Reuter)-An official Air Ministry report states, "the German High Command falsely alleges that five British aircraft were lost yesterday. It claimed that two Lockheeds were shot down in attacks on Stavanger and a Sunderland flying boat was destroyed.

"No aircraft was lost" in any of yesterday's attacks on Stavanger and no flying boat is missing

"Two of our aircraft which were engaged on a reconnaissance flight over the North Sea yesterday have not yet returned."

CLEAN UP OF TRAITORS

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 17 (Havas)-Action against traitors of any political allegiance is demanded in a joint manifesto signed by youth organisations of the Conservative, Liberal and Social-Democratic Swedish parties,

"At the present critical hour. any form of treason, any tendency to capitulation must be fought with the utmost energy and without pity.

"The whole nation must be united around the Government for the defence of Democracy national independence and the freedom of our country."

This is the first time the three political parties have issued common statement.

New Danubian Agreement

ANTI - SABOTAGE MEASURES

ROME, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The replies from Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Hungary, to the Rumanian proposals for policing the Danube have reached Bucharest and are clearly favourable, states a Bucharest message to the Stefant

It is stated that one of the principal points in the new ar rangement is that steamers capable of being transformed into warships will not be allowed on the Danube.

As a result of the proposed measures, the four Danube countries consider they can protect the Danube against sabotage.

FRENCH ARMY REPORT

PARIS, April 17 (Reuter)-After a short adjournment the Senate went into secret session on the Army Committee Report. The session will continue tomorrow on the Air and Navy Committee Reports and conclude with a public vote on the motion of confidence.

JAPAN AND THE D.E.I.

ARITA'S STATEMENT CAUSES INTEREST

WASHINGTON,"Apr. 17 (Reuter) -Considerable interest has been aroused in official circles by Mr Arita's "hands off" statement 'in regard to the Dutch / East Indies, but this feeling does not amount to uneasiness.

It is generally felc that Japan will think twice before running foul of the French and British in the Far East in the event of Holland becoming involved in the

News commentators feel that there is no necessity for the United States to act because Britain and France, who would be vitally affected, would be expected to take 'mmediate steps.'

Any Japanese action against the Dutch East Indies, however, would undoubedly rouse unpredictable reactions in America by crystalliwidespread feelings agains; Japanese imperialist ambitions in the Far East.

IMPORTS CONTROL TIGHTENED

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Havas)-Extremely energetic diplomatic, political and economic action will be taken by the Allies in Southeastern Europe as the result of the conferences just held here between the Foreign Office and British Envoys in the Balkans.

First of all the Allies will tighten the control of German imports.

Measures to this effect will include the purchasing of important quantities of certain goods, and the rationing or even complete cancellation of Allied exports of certain fundamental commodities to certain countries, if the latter do not reduce their exports to Germany,

However reluctant the Allies may be to take ruthless action, they will not hesitate to do so now that it is clearly a demonstrated that Germany is benefiting from the Allied desire to respect neutral interests.

WHEAT AND OIL BANNED

BUCHAREST, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-The ban on the export of wheat and oil are not political moves, it is stated here, but are the outcome of the Rumanian economic posttion. They are necessary owing to three factors:-

Firstly, the mobilisation of 1 .-000,000 men since March, 1939; Secondly, a 20 per cent decrease in the spring sowing and the

chance of a bad harvest, and Thirdly, the ficod destruction by the Danube.

GIORGIU UNDER WATER The port of Glorgiu, from where two-thirds of Germany's supplies were despatched, is still under

It appears that the only concrete agreement which Dr. Clodius Will reach before leaving is the delivery of German armaments in part liquidation of Rumania's two milliard lei credit balance for oil and wheat which have already been delivered.

Rumania badly wants anti-tank and anti-aircraft guns, and for these will continue to supply oil as far as transport allows.

CHECKING - UP BY NEUTRALS

LONDON, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-Warned by the events in Norway of the intervention of Nazi agents already installed before the invasion, many neutrals are moving to check the danger in their midst.

Round-ups have taken place in Belgium, Sweden, Yugo-Slavia and Rumania. In Sweden many ports on the west coast have been closed and others on the south coast will be closed within a few hours.

Holland is taking similar steps and several Nazi agents have been arrested.

BOWLING ALLEYS **SURPRISE**

At the Hongkong Bowling Alleys last evening, U.S.S. Mindanao surprisingly defeated the Royal Corps of Signals in a friendly 5game Duck Pin match. The American sailors won comfortably by 186 pins.

Scores are as follows:--U.S.S. Mindanao-D. M. Keplinger 550, J. T. Sheehan 510, E. L. Emerson 454 and J. W. Davis 448.

Total, 1,962 Royal Signals J. H. Watts 479. H. Blount 450, G. Birkett 431 and G. Somerville 416, Total, 1,776.

Constitution For China

PERMANENT ONE TO BE ADOPTED

CHUNGKING, April 17 (Central) -The function of the National People's Assembly to be convened on November 12, is to adopt a permanent Constitution for China, declared Dr. Sun, Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, in an interview with the Central News.

A new National People's Assembly, Dr. San said, will have to be formed in accordance with the Constitution to exercise the powers provided therein.

Criticising the proposal made at the fifth session of the People's Political Council, held recently in Chungking for the creation of a Political Advisory Council exercising the powers to decide on budgetary bills, declaration of martial law, granting of amnesties, declaration of war, negotiation for peace and conclusion of treatles after the adjournment of the National People's Assembly, Dr. Sun said that this is contradictory to the Five-Power Conof the Chinese Republic, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, which vests such powers" in the Legislative Yuan.

Since the Legislative Yuan forms a component part, of the National Government created by the National People's Assembly, the Assembly should have confidence in it, and not create a duplicate organ exercising the same powers.

GEN. WU RETURNING TO CHINA

LHASA, April 17 (Central)-General Wu Chung-hsin, special envoy of the Chinese Government to attend the enthronement of the 14th Dalai Lama, lefc Lhasa yesterday to return to China, He was seen off outside the city by a big crowd of Chinese and Tibetan officials and foreign envoys including the representatives of the 14th Dalai Lama, the Tibetan Regent Reling Hutuketu, and Nepal and Bhutan.

SHIMONOSEKI TREATY

CHUNGKING, April 17 (Central) -Two Formosan representatives will broadcast in Formosan at the broadcasting station in Chungking beginning from 6 p.m. today...on the 46th anniversary of the Treaty of Shimonoseki urging the 5,000,-000 Formosans to rise and fight for the independence of their fatherland,

The Treaty of Shimonoseki signed between China and Japan on April 17, 1895, after the war in Korea, declared Korea a sovereign state and ceded the Liaotung Peninsula and adjacent islands as well as Formosa and the Pescadores to Japan. However, Japan was later forced to give up her claim to the Liaotung Peninsula through the intervention of Russia forming a coalition with France and Germany, but accepted an additional indemnity of thirty million taels.

Unlucky For Some

SHIP SINKS ON APRIL 13

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter)-About one hundred persons. Chinese, are believed to have drowned when the Hwamin, six hundred ton steamer of Japanese registry, sank off the Cheklang coast after striking a reef on April 13, it has been learned.

Several survivors have arrived in Shanghai and others are expected tomorrow. The Hwamin was en route to Shanghai from Tinghai, Chekiang port, when she encountered a gale, hit the reef and started to sink.

Fishing boats and junks in the vicinity went to the rescue and picked up about two hundred of the three hundred aboard.

The ship was out of Tinghai only four hours when she met with disaster.

FIGHTING NEAR TSUNGYANG

KWEILIN, Apr. 17 (Central)-Fighting is raging in the vicinity of Tsungyang, important south Hupeh town 60 miles northeast of Yoyang, where an advancing unit of 600 Japanese is meeting with stiff resistance from the Chinese. Fighting commenced on the morning of April 15 with both sides suffering considerable casualties.

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